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Births.

SAUNCE.—February 27, at Henley-street, Drummoyne, the wife of C. Saunce—a daughter.

Marriages.

BURROWS—BATES.—On February 11, at Kingston, Norfolk Island, by the Rev. Archdeacon Comins, assisted by the Rev. Percy Aldous, Thomas Edward, youngest son of the late John Burrows, to Maida, only daughter of Captain Franklin Bates, of Fairhaven, Mass., U.S.A.

LUPTON—HARMEY.—February 19, 1901, at St. Vincent de Paul's Church, Redfern, by the Rev. Father O'Regan, Walter, second son of Frank Lupton, of Botany, to Mary, John, eldest son of Frank Lupton, of Botany, to Mary, only daughter of the late Michael Harmey, of Redfern.

Deaths.

BATEUP.—February 28, at his residence, Wycallah, Abbotsford-road, Homebush, John Bateup, of Messrs. Edwards, Dunlop, and Co. No flowers.

CARLISLE.—February 27, at her residence, 100 Cooper-street, Surry Hills, Mary Jane, the beloved wife of Alexander Carlisle, aged 53 years.

DURACK.—February 24, at Denham station, W.A., Dominick Joseph Durack, beloved cousin of Mrs. Blanche E. Withey, aged 46.

FOGARTY.—February 28, 1901, at his residence, 4 Vincent-street, Balmain, Patrick Hogarty, in his 72nd year. R.I.P.

LOCKYER.—February 27, 1901, at her residence, 21 Weymouth-avenue, Darlinghurst, Eliza Lockyer, widow of the late Charles Weeden Lockyer.

SWINBURNE.—February 26, at Warwick, Queensland, Lyon, eldest son of Charles Swinburne, of North Tweeburra station, Darling Downs, only son of Matthew Swinburne, Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, and son-in-law of the late Hon. John Davies, C.M.G., Sydney.

TOMLIN.—February 26th, 1901, at Glenavon, 104 Cambridge-street, Leichhardt, Alfred George Tomlin aged 9 years.

TUCKER.—February 26, J. Burnett Tucker, aged 44 years.

In Memoriam.

BAIRD.—In sad but loving remembrance of my dear husband and our loving father, Jacob, who departed this life for another, March 1, 1899.

A precious one from us has gone;
A voice we loved is stilled;
A place is vacant in our home
Which never can be filled.

Rested by his loving wife and two dear children, Elsie and Ernest Geist.

BAIRD.—In loving memory of our dear father, Jacob Baird, who departed this life on March 1, 1899, at his residence, Cleveland-street, Darlington. Inserted by his loving son and daughter-in-law, Jacob and Ethel Geist.

BIRD.—In sad and loving memory of our dear beloved husband and father, Patrick Gibbs, who departed this life March 1, 1895. Inserted by his loving wife and family. R.I.P.

GARDINER.—In loving memory of my dear husband, who died March 1, 1899. E. Gardiner.

GIBBS.—In loving remembrance of my dear husband, Herbert Charles, who died at his residence, Albert-street, Redfern, March 1, 1897, aged 37.

Your rear, in work, or mirth, or mourning,
Lend in with love's own youth that never can grow cold.

Inserted by his loving wife and child, Eliza and Vera Gibbs.

HACKETT.—In loving memory of John Mackal, who departed this life March 1, 1897. Inserted by his loving wife and sorrowing child. Though lost to sight, to memory dear.

HARRINGTON.—In loving memory of my dearly beloved husband and our darling father, N. L. Marienthal, who departed this life at his residence, Etruria, Hamilton, Sydney, March 2nd, 1900, aged 56.

HUGHES.—In sad but loving memory of my darling daughter Fanny, who departed this life March 1, 1898, aged 18 years and 8 months, from lockjaw caused by a very painful accident.

Dear heart, I loved you too dearly
For your memory to fade from my life like a dream;
Your sad and sad speaks when the heart mourns sincerely,
And the thoughts often rest where they seldom are seen.

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PANTHALIA	6801	J. Reeves	Apr. 3
VICTORIA	6827	H. Crews	Apr. 17
ROME	5545	E. Simon	May 4
SALAMIS	6898	W. L. Brown, R.N.R.	May 18
CHINA	8900	T. S. Angus. ...	June 1
ARCADIA	8601	A. C. Lagers ...	June 15

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		1901	1901	1901
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*AUSTRAL	5386	C. Nicholson	Mar. 13	Mar. 19	Mar. 21
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*OMRAH	8291	J. F. Rathven	April 10	April 16	April 18
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ALBANY FREMANTLE (transhipping for Geraldton)	Bunimyong, Tuesday, March 19, 5 p.m. No transhipment.	
BRISBANE MARYBOROUGH ROCKHAMPTON BUNDABERG	Konowarra, To-morrow, Saturday, 12 p.m.	
GLADSTONE MACKAY TOWNSVILLE	Tyrian, To-morrow, Saturday, 12 noon	
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Ulladulla.—S.S. Bega, Saturday, 10 a.m. sharp.
Moruya, via Bateman's Bay.—S.S. Bega, Saturday, 10 a.m. sharp.
Merimbula, Pambula, Twofold Bay, and Eden.—S.S. Eden, Tuesday, 5th, 10 a.m. sharp; and S.S. Bega, Thursday, 7th, 10 a.m. sharp.
Narooma.—S.S. Eden, Tuesday, 5th, 10 a.m. sharp (passengers only); and S.S. Bega, Thursday, 7th, 10 a.m. sharp.
No cargo will be received on day of sailing for Ulladulla, Nelligen, Bateman's Bay, Bermagui, Tathra, Merimbula, and Eden.
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THE SENATE.

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who is a CANDIDATE for the SENATE, will Address Public Meetings in support of his Candidature as under:—

ALBURY, FRIDAY, March 1, 8 p.m.
WAGGA, SATURDAY, March 2, 8 p.m.
PENRITH, Temperance Hall, MONDAY, March 4, 8 o'clock.
LITHGOW, Oddfellows' Hall, TUESDAY, March 5, 8 p.m.
BATHURST, School of Arts, WEDNESDAY, March 6, 8 p.m.
ORANGE, Australian Hall, THURSDAY, March 7, 8 p.m.
WELLINGTON, Clifford's Hotel Bal

Government Railways.

EXCURSION TRIPS TO THE NEPEAN RIVER (PENRITH).

SATURDAY and SUNDAY, 2nd and 3rd MARCH.

CHEAP RETURN TICKETS at 4s First-class, and 2s 6d Second-class, will be issued at Sydney (only) to Penrith, including trip on the Nepean River in Mr. Rowe's steamer (Nepean), by trains leaving Sydney TO-MORROW (Saturday) at 8.20 a.m. and 1.30 p.m., and on SUNDAY at 9.35 a.m., available for return on day of issue.

EXCURSIONS TO PARRAMATTA.

SATURDAY and SUNDAY, 2nd and 3rd MARCH.

THROUGH RETURN TICKETS to PARRAMATTA (train to Como, thence per steamer to Parramatta) will be issued by trains leaving Sydney on SATURDAY at 9.40 a.m. and 2.10 p.m., and on SUNDAY at 8.40 a.m. and 2.20 p.m., available for return by train leaving Como at 6.30 p.m.

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SPECIALS, 12.38, 12.53, 1.3, and 1.16 p.m.
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MONDAY, March 4th, 1901.
14.1 Handicap, 3½ furlongs.
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14.0 Handicap, 12 sovs., 5 furlongs.
14.2 (Welter) Handicap, 12 sovs., 6 furlongs.
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14.1 Handicap of 25 sovs., 8½ furlongs.
Trial Stakes (15.0), a handicap of 25 sovs., 4½ fur.
14.0 Handicap of 30 sovs., 5 furlongs.
14.2 Welter Handicap of 25 sovs., 6½ furlongs.
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PADDINGTON, MONDAY, MARCH 4	TOWN HALL
REDFERN, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6	TOWN HALL
NORTH SYDNEY, FRIDAY, MARCH 8	SCHOOL OF ARTS
PARRAMATTA, MONDAY, MARCH 11	TOWN HALL
NEWTOWN, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13	TOWN HALL

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Dr.	£ s. d.	Cr.	£ s. d.
To Amount of balance at Bank of N. S. Wales on 31st December, 1899	6 8 10	By Cheques outstanding at 31st December, 1899, since paid	63 15 0
Assessment in hand (cash, 18s 6d; stamps, 12s 6d)	1 12 3	Certificates issued for scalps— 719 horse at 6d per scalp	17 18 0
Petty cash on hand, 31st December, 1899	0 5 0	Secretary's salary, 1st Jan. to 31st Dec., 1900	50 0 0
Assessment levied on stock during half-year— On 2,240,400 large stock at £1 5s per 100	£ s. d. 280 1 9	Printing	2 6 0
On 2923 sheep at 4s 2d per 100	6 1 11	Advertising	9 1 3
	£286 3 8	Directors' expenses	52 0 0
Add arrears for 1899 and previous years	48 11 1	Auditor's fees, £2 2s; collector's costs, £5 5s; gratuity to Walsh, £3	10 7 0
	£334 14 9	Refund to Mines Department of fines received on account Inspector's expenses	12 10 0
Less arrears of assessment outstanding 31st Dec., 1899	43 3 3	Government taxation	0 1 6
	291 11 6	Commission on assessment collected	4 14 6
Assessment collected in excess	0 3 2	Indiarubber stamp and pad	0 8 6
Government subsidy	105 4 1	Cheque-book (60), 5s; Bank account charge for twelve months, 10s	0 15 0
Police Court fines	18 10 0	Petty Cash Account—Exchange, 3s 6d; commission on sale of stamps, 9s; duty stamps, 2s 4d; newspaper, 3d; Gazette, 6d; Gazette notices, 9s	0 12 7
Rents from Crown lands collected	0 1 0	Petty Cash on hand	2 16 7
Cheque No. 395575 cancelled	1 0 0	Balance as per Bank-book	191 7 8
Unpresented cheque, No. 450618, at 31st December, 1900	2 0 0		
	£419 15 11		£419 15 11

Dated at Sydney this 31st day of January, 1901.
We hereby certify that all the books and vouchers in the possession of the Board have been duly audited by us and found to be correct.
ALFRED S. MILSON, Auditor.
W. F. JAQUES, Treasurer.
W. ALISON, Chairman.

Department of Public Works,
Sydney, 27th February, 1901.

DEVONSHIRE-STREET CEMETERY.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Department of Public Works CONTEMPLATES A NEW CEMETERY at near LA PEROUSE, a BEAUTIFUL POSITION for the RECEPTION of the UNCLAIMED BODIES, and other property, now lying within the DEVONSHIRE-STREET CEMETERY. At this new cemetery the remains will be reverentially reinterred, and all existing monuments, tombstones, headstones, footstones, and iron railings removed over the respective graves by skilled workmen.
Owing to the greater portion of the stonework and iron railing now in the Devonshire-street Cemetery being unsuitable for admission into any of the other Metropolitan Cemeteries (except the Presbyterian Division at the Necropolis), persons who have already made application for translation to other cemeteries may, if satisfied to leave the work in the hands of the Department, withdraw their applications with the assurance that their interests will be safeguarded in every way compatible with reverence, decency, and skill.
The new cemetery will eventually be connected by tram, and is now connected by good roads. It will also be beautified and kept up in an orderly manner.
ROBT. HICKSON,
Under-Secretary for Public Works and Commissioner for Roads.
(3s-21)

REWARD, £20,000.—New GOLDFIELDS in Northern Rhodesia.—In view of the discoveries already made by the North Charterland Exploration Company, Limited, the management wish explanation to continue with the utmost vigour and activity. The sum of £20,000 will be paid by the North Charterland Exploration Company, Limited, to any person or persons first discovering a payable gold reef or alluvial goldfield in the territory. At this option a director will be entitled to a free grant of 20 Claims on the gold reef or two Claims on the alluvial goldfield, in lieu of the cash Reward. Five mining leases of ten Claims will also be made to Prospectors who may first discover copper, silver, coal, or any other valuable mineral during their search for gold. Grants of land for agricultural purposes will also be made to early pioneers on favourable terms. Intending Prospectors must refer to a pamphlet, which gives full particulars of the above offer, and which may be obtained on application to the Secretary, International Flotilla and Transport Co., Ltd., African International Flotilla and Transport Co., Ltd., Chinde, Zambesi River; C. A. Fenwick and Co., Durban, Natal; P. Keogh and Co., Port Elizabeth, Cape Colony; Thomas Cook and Son, Cecil Hotels, Cape Town and Salisbury, Rhodesia; the Company's Offices, Winchester House, London, E.C.; the Company's representative at Tete, or at any other of the stations in Central Africa.

NOTICE is hereby given that the PARTNERSHIP heretofore subsisting between us, the undersigned, FRANK MELLI and LEONARDA POLINI, in the business of Oyster Saloon Keepers, carried on by us at the Manly, has been DISSOLVED by mutual consent as from the twentieth day of February instant, and the business will be henceforth carried on by the said LEONARDA POLINI, who will pay and discharge all debts and liabilities and receive all moneys payable to the said late firm. Dated this 20th day of February, A.D. 1901.
FRANK MELLI. Witness: W. S. GRAY, Solicitor, 116 Pitt-street, Sydney. LEONARDA POLINI (X her mark). Witness: W. S. GRAY.

NOTICE is hereby given that the PARTNERSHIP lately subsisting between the undersigned, HENRY RICHMOND, CARRINGTON, and CO., of Annandale-street, Annandale, Manufacturing Confectioners, has this day been DISSOLVED by mutual consent. All debts due to or owing by the said late Firm will be received and paid by Mr. Joseph Rosemond, who will continue the said Business. As witness our hands this twenty-third day of February, 1901. ROSEMOND, ARTHUR F. C'S. RINGTON. Witness, D. S. SULLIVAN, Solicitor, Sydn.

THE COLONIAL MUTUAL LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY, Limited.
LOST POLICY.
It is the intention of the Society on or after the 2nd day of April next to issue a Special Policy in place of Policy No. 52230 on the life of JAMES HENRY WARD, which has been lost.
A. ROSS MILNER, Secretary.

NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.
NOTICE.
In accordance with the provisions of the Lost Policies Act, 1898, it is the intention of the Company to issue a SPECIAL POLICY in Place of Policy No. 21799 on the life of ADAM MACFARLANE, dated 24th October, 1891, alleged to have been lost.
T. W. YOUNG,
Resident Secretary.

SPECIAL CAUTION.—STARINE CANDLES OF THE STEARINE CANDLE MANUFAC URING CO., "APOLLO," IN SCHIEDAM, HOLLAND.
The Directors of the Company give Notice to the trade that, owing to the spurious imitations of their brand, the Candles for the Australian and New Zealand markets will in future simply bear on their usual labels the name "SCHIEDAM." They obtained—The MEDAL of HONOUR at Vienna, 1873; the GOLD MEDAL at PARIS, 1878; the GOLD MEDAL at AMSTERDAM, 1883; the DIPLOME D'HONNEUR (highest award) at Antwerp, 1885; and the GRAND PRIX (highest award), at Paris, 1900.
J. B. ADGER, the only Scalp and Hair Clinic. Advice and remedy, 10s 6d. 43 Castlereagh-st., Sydney.

HER MAJESTY'S THEATRE.
Sole Lessee and Manager ... Mr. J. C. WILLIAMSON.
Busn. Manager, Geo. L. Goodman. Treas., J. B. Mouris.
THIS (FRIDAY) EVENING, MARCH 1st,
THE LAST NIGHT
and
FAREWELL!!!
to
DJIN DJIN,
THE JAPANESE BOGIE MAN.
POSITIVELY LAST NIGHT
of this Gorgeous Spectacle.
FAREWELL!!! FAREWELL!!!
to all the
FUN, SINGING, and SPECTACULAR
of this
TREMENDOUS PRODUCTION!
REMEMBER!!!
The
Last Representation
of
DJIN DJIN.
Box Plan at Nicholson's, George-street. Prices as usual. Children under six not admitted. Early Door Tickets, 1s extra, can be obtained during the day at Lane's Hotel, next the Theatre, Pitt-street.

HER MAJESTY'S THEATRE.
TO-MORROW (SAT. NEXT), MARCH 2nd,
RETURN TO SYDNEY,
for a Brief Season only, of
J. C. WILLIAMSON'S
FAMOUS DRAMATIC ORGANISATION,
Reintroducing
Miss EDITH CRANE
(whose delightful rendering of Trilby will still be fresh in the minds of playgoers),
Mr. CECIL WARD,
and
Mr. TYRONE POWER,
supported by a
SPECIALLY SELECTED COMPANY
of
FAVOURITE ARTISTS.
The inaugural production will be the fascinating and alluring hypnotic play,
TRILBY
THILBY,
which will be given for
SIX NIGHTS ONLY,
AND ONE MATINEE,
Presenting
Miss EDITH CRANE ..... as ..... TRILBY
(Her original character, played by her for upwards of 600 nights in America and Australia.)
Mr. TYRONE POWER ..... as ..... SVENGALI
The Piece produced under the Direction of
Mr. TYRONE POWER.
STAGE MANAGER ..... Mr. W. J. HAZLITT.
Cast and particulars in to-morrow's advertisement.
THE BOX PLAN
now open at NICHOLSON and CO.'S, George-street.

Calls and Dividends on Shares.

THE CONDOBOLIN GOLD-MINING and QUARTZ-CRUSHING CO., No Liability.
A CALL (No. 4) of Threepence per share has been made on the Contributing Shares of the new issue in this Company, and will fall due on WEDNESDAY, 13th March, 1901. The place for payment thereof is the Registered Office of the Company, Sussex-street, Sydney. Dated 26th February, 1901.
LESLIE C. FORD, Local Manager.

THE FISH RIVER GOLD-DREDGING COMPANY, No Liability.—Registered office, 23 Hunter-street, Sydney.—NOTICE.—A CALL (the 7th) of One Shilling per share on all Contributing Shares in the above Company has been made, due and payable to me at the Company's Office, Aurum-chambers, 25 Hunter-stre t, Sydney, on WEDNESDAY, 13th March, 1901. By order of the Board, G. A. PARKER, Legal Manager. 28th February, 1901. Note.—Exchange must be added to country and intercolonial cheques.

VICTORY (CHARTERS TOWERS) GOLD-MINING COMPANY, Limited.
NOTICE is hereby given that a CALL (No. 4) of Sixpence per share on all the Contributing Shares of the Company has been made by the Directors, and is payable on or before SATURDAY, June 15th, 1901, to the Secretary, at the Registered Office of the Company, with the further option to Shareholders on the London Register to pay such call to the Secretary of the London Local Directors having charge of the Branch Register.
By order of the Board.
C. P. SMITH, Secretary.
Mutual Life-buildings, Pitt-street, Sydney, 25th February, 1901.

THE DAY DAWN GOLD-MINING COMPANY, No Liability.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Directors have made a CALL (the Eighth and Final) of 6d per share on all the Contributing Shares in the above-named Company, payable to me at the registered office of the Company, 35 Post Office-chambers, 114A Pitt-street, Sydney, on or before WEDNESDAY, the 13th day of March, 1901.
By order of the Board.
ALBERT E. CHAPMAN, Legal Manager.
Sydney, March 1st, 1901.

THE NEW ROYAL STANDARD GOLD MINING COMPANY. No Liability.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Directors have this day made a CALL (the second) of threepence per share upon all the new-issue Preference Shares in the above Company, payable to the undersigned at the Registered Office of the Company, Union-chambers, 79 Pitt-street, Sydney, on or before WEDNESDAY, 13th March, 1901.
By order of the Board.
ALFRED H. ROSS, S. BUZACOTT, Secretary.
Sydney, 28th February, 1901.

THE GUNGARLINE RIVER GOLD-DREDGING CO., No Liability.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Directors have this day made a CALL (the Sixth) of Two Shillings and Sixpence per share on all Contributing Shares of the Company, payable to the undersigned at the registered office of the Company or on or before WEDNESDAY, 13th March, 1901.
By order of the Board,
DAVID FELL, Manager.
Sydney, 28th day of February, 1901.

THE MOUNT LYELL MINING AND RAILWAY COMPANY, Limited.
NOTICE OF DIVIDEND.
NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND (the 16th) of 9s per share, amounting to £97,500, has been declared, payable on MONDAY, 1st April, 1901, at the Company's Offices, Melbourne and London.
Transfer BOOKS CLOSE simultaneously in Melbourne and London on FRIDAY, 15th March, closing in Melbourne at 3 p.m.
By order of the Board.
ALFRED MELLOR, Secretary.

Businesses for Sale.

WARDEN,
HOTEL BROKER,
69 ELIZABETH-STREET, near King-street.
HOTELS FOR SALE.
City, Suburbs, and Country.
Established 1886.

CITY HOTEL, most central and commanding corner, 7 bar trade £200 weekly, and profitable; first-class premises. Particulars on application.
WARDEN, 69 Elizabeth-street.

GEORGE-STREET HOTEL, best part, bar takings £190 weekly, rent £7, very long lease, accounts can be inspected at my office.
WARDEN, 69 Elizabeth-street.

JOSEPH and CO., 108 King-st.—Hotel, heart of city, free house, full price £700, bar trade £45 weekly.
JOSEPH and CO.—Hotel, George-st., 2 bars, trade £50, rent £3 10s, 5 years, £300 cash.
JOSEPH and CO.—Hotel, main thoroughfare, intest improvs., £300, grand chance smart couple, proof trade.
JOSEPH and CO.—Hotel, Queen-st., drawe 5 a 5d's, bar trade £50, long lease, incoing £600. 108 King-st.
JOSEPH and CO.—Hotel, Leichhardt-st., 7 a 8d's, takings £40 weekly, £350. 108 King-st.
JOSEPH and CO.—Hotel, Newtown, £300 cash, 5 a 8d's, £30 weekly, lease 8 years. 108 King-st.

BOARDING-HOUSE, Macquarie-street North, 20 rooms, handsomely furnished, valuable piano, grand connection, 17 boarders, 30s to £2 2s weekly, £800, easy terms. JOSEPH and CO., 108 King-street.

LODGING-HOUSE, centre city, 14 rooms, rent 40s, 30 lodgers, 5s weekly, £150. Joseph an i Co.

PASTRY, Confectionery, Refreshments, best position city, first-class trade, well stocked, grandly fitted and furnished, everything right to date, splendid corner premises, rent £80. JOSEPH and CO., 108 King-street.

PRODUCE, Wood, Coal, suburban, takings £140 monthly, rent 29s, old established, bargain. Joseph.

DAIRY, Produce, and Provisions, rising suburb, clear profits £40 monthly under half, horses, carts, marble fittings, ice chest, mirrors, stock, &c., strictest investigation, principals only, £275.

COLONIAL Wine, Confectionery, Drinks, sub., sound trade, rent 18s, stock, furniture, £45. Joseph and Co.

FRUIT, greengrocery with Run, clear profits £5 week, trial, same hands 14 years, £125. Joseph and Co.

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STEADY CONFECTIONERY and DRINKS, good trade, main road, strict, fitted, mirrors, showcases, trays, no glasses, must sell by Saturday; bargain.
169 Glebe-road.

BUSINESS Stocks, job lines of all descriptions, Purchased for cash. Barry Isaacs, 282 Pitt-st., city.

TEA Rooms, Confectionery, &c., good position Dem.-st., rent 15s per sec., suit 2 ladies, gen. reas. Aplin, G.P.O.

HIGH-CLASS Tearooms, commanding pos., enormous trade, proprietor leav. col., £180. Cook, 143 King-st.

GROCERY Business To Sale, corner shop, taking £18 a week. 187 Forbes-st., Woollomooloo.

SOUND News Agency for Sale, every investigation courted. Nemo, 101 Raglan and Mary sts., Redfern.

WANTED, sev. Businesses, £50 to £300, many clients waiting. Partners, Fyfe and Co., 234 George-st.

WANTED, HAIRDRESSING, TOBACCONIST BUSINESS, £100 to £250; strict investigation.
Tradesman,
Herald Office, King-street.

BUTCHERING BUSINESS, first-class trade, good suburb, slaughter-yard in connection, owner would like to leave before May.
F. N. P., Herald Office.

Businesses for Sale.

NEEDHAM and CO., 31 Elizabeth-st. - Harding-house, 9 large rooms, 6 boarders, £45, bargain.

BOARDING-HOUSE, city, 20 rooms, best position in Macquarie-street North, 20 permanent boarders, fully furnished throughout, piano, pottery, &c., £210. NEEDHAM and CO.

FISH, Oyster, Ham, and Beef Business, takings £15, shop, 6 rooms, £20, stock, scales. Needham and Co.

PRODUCE, Wood and Coal, western suburb, trade £160 monthly, horses, carts, stock, £220. Needham.

RESTAURANT, city, dining-room, kitchen, 6 rooms, doing splendid trade, terms, £160. Needham and Co.

CONFECTIONERY, Corner street, takings £16, well stocked and fitted, £60. Needham and Co.

GROCERY, Confectionery, and General, stock, scales, and household furniture, trade £10, £45. Needham.

NEEDHAM and CO., 31 Elizabeth-st.—Dairy, 5 acres, 3 cows, 2 horses, spring cart, harness, shelter, £75, £125.

V. RYAN and CO., Hotel and Business Agents, 7 Post Office-sham., 114a Pitt-st. near G.P.O. T., 2026.

V. RYAN.—Hotel, Redfern, lease 6½ yrs., rent £2, splendid chance for young couple, £150.

V. RYAN.—Hotel, handy to city, 21 years' lease at £5 15s, same hands 9 years, 5 x 3d's, £350.

V. RYAN.—Hotel, heart of city, nicely fitted and doing profitable business, 6 years at 63s, £250.

V. RYAN.—Hotel, eastern sub., 5 x 3d's weekly, pays merchants £120 month, 8 years, rent £4 £450.

V. RYAN.—Hotel, George-s., 9 years, rent £4 a London bars, 6 hhds. weekly, tak. £60, sole ag., £900.

V. RYAN.—Hotel, best position, heart city, 8½, 7 hhds. week, 7 years, rent £2 10s. Best spec. white, £500.

V. RYAN.—Hotel, handy city, 35 years, rent £2 10s, 6 hhds. xxx wr., pays merchants £150 month' £900.

OWEN and CO., 49½ Castlereagh-st.—Confectionery and Shop, 9 rooms, brk., rent 10s, trade £65, £35.

OWEN and CO.—Hotel, main thoroughfare, intest improvs., £300, grand chance smart couple, proof trade.

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BUTCHER

Tenders.

ARTISTS and PAINTERS.—If you want best quality Goods for Lowest Cost buy from JAMES SANDY and CO., 371 and 339 George-street.

BOROUGH of WATERLOO.—TENDERS are invited for the following:—Printing, Stationery, Removal of Rubbish, Kerb and Gutter, Removal of House Refuse and Nightsoil, Kerb and Gutter, Removal of Stones, Timber, Cartage per hour, Blue Metal and Screenings, Timber, Coal Tar. Tenders close 3 p.m., March 7th. Full particulars on application to Council Clerk.

CARPENTERS, Plumbers, Labour or material, Cut-ters, &c.—Smith, Park-rd., Haskell's Est., Willoughby.

IN THE ESTATE OF MOSES STONE, of Deniliquin, Bairnsaid, and Berrigan, Storekeeper. In Bankruptcy.

TENDERS are hereby invited and will be received at my office up to WEDNESDAY, 6th March, 1901, at 12 noon, for the Purchase of the undermentioned Assets, in one, or two lots, viz.:—

LOT 1.

Comprising the following Stock-in-trade at Deniliquin:—

Manchester	£201	0 11
Dress Stuffs	103	0 6
Underclothing	96	18 9
Millinery	44	11 6
Fancy	124	3 8
Clothing	101	8 3
Hats	44	14 6
Shirts and Mercery	66	18 9
Hosiery	44	0 9
Haberdashery, Stationery, &c.	80	8 0
Boots and Shoes	243	2 0
	£1184	6 5

LOT 2.

Stock-in-Trade at Berrigan, comprising the following:—Boots and Shoes, Shirts and Mercery, Fancy, Clothing, Manchester, totalling £99 18 8

LOT 3.

Stock-in-Trade at Bairnsaid, comprising the following:—Boots and Shoes, Hosiery, Fancy, Shirts and Mercery, Manchester, Clothing, Hats, &c., totalling £95 12 7

£1379 17 8

The Stock-in-Trade at Deniliquin, Berrigan, and Bairnsaid is in good condition, and well assorted.

Stock Sheets may be inspected and all information obtained at my office, or from my agents, at the following places, viz.:—

Mr. F. S. Selfe, at Deniliquin.
Mr. Robert Gardiner, at Berrigan.
Messrs. Malpass and Murray, at Bairnsaid.

The above Lots may be tendered for separately or conjointly.

The usual deposit of 10 per cent. must accompany each Tender.

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Terms cash.

WILLIAM HARRINGTON PALMER, Official Assignee.

of Elizabeth-street, Sydney,
23rd February, 1901.

IN THE ASSIGNED ESTATE OF ARTHUR WILLIAM FLOWERE, General Storekeeper, Hall.

INTENDING TENDERERS are reminded that TENDERS for the Assets in the above Estate CLOSE HERE DAY at noon.

ALBERT BORCHARD,
Incorporated Accountant,
Equitable-buildings, George-street.

Sydney,
1st March, 1901.

PAPER, 4s roll; Bonding Felt, best quality; Ironmongery cheapest. Macintosh and Sons, 307 Pitt-st.

ROAD and Navvy Picks, 18s doz.; shovels, 18s doz. Ironmon. cheapest. Macintosh and Sons, 307 Pitt-st.

RUBBLE Masons, Plumbers, Carpenters, &c., separate by Tender, job Mossman. A. E. T. Wine, 58 Pitt-st.

TENDERS are invited for the Erection of COTTAGE, Edward-street, Bondi.
Plans and specification may be seen at my office.
THOS. A. DARLING, Architect,
Cohen's-chambers,
19 Spring-street.

TENDERS required for Erection of four-roomed Cottage at Chatswood, labour only. Particulars Monday, 4th March, at GEORGE HUDSON and SON, Regent-street, Redfern.

TENDERS are invited until the 14th inst. for the Erection of Dwelling at Balmain.
RUTLEDGE LOUAT, Architect,
378 George-street, city.

TO CARPENTERS, OFFICE FITTERS, &c.—ESTIMATE required for Alterations to Office Fittings. Full particulars upon application to
W. E. SMITH, Ltd., Bridge-street.

TARPAVING, small job. 43 Edgeware-rd., Enmore.

TENDERS for Repairs, Wahroonga Lodge, North Sydney. L. H. Vincent, Cottage, next Hawthornden, Edgecliff-rd.

TENDERS wanted for Flooring and Lining. Apply Burns' Timber Yard, Rockdale.

TENDERS Connect Sewer 4 Cottages, Marrickville. Mr. Sweet, Prentice's, nr. rail. sta., Sydenham.

TENDERS wanted Connecting 7 Cottages with Sewer. R. W. Davies, Cantor-st., Croydon, Mr. Robinson-st.

THOMAS HIGGINS and SON, Contractors, Pleasure-ground, John Hines, contractor, Moss Vale. Your interest.

TO Plumbers and Drainers.—Tenders for Connection with Sewer. Plans, J. Sims, 1 Flinders-st., S.H.

VAL DE TRAVES ASPHALTE.
SOLE AGENTS,
MASON BROTHERS, Limited,
42 Pitt-street.

WANTED, PRICE for Plumbing Work. Apply A. Wallis and Sons, Miller-st., Pyrmont.

MARBLE and Slate Noseings, Washtops, Mantels, and Tiles; Grates, Baths, Metal Ceilings, Sheet Lead and Pipe, Cement, Plaster, Bakers' Ovens, Metal and Tiles, &c., for, Cement, Plaster, Bakers' Ovens, Metal and Tiles, &c. Sale, Inst., &c. W. P. CRANE and SONS, 19-31 Pitt-st. N.

For Continuation see Index to Advertisements.

Houses and Land for Sale.

ASHFIELD CORNER.—LAND, 58 x 180, Brick Cottage, entrance hall, 2 reception, 4 bed rooms, kitchen, laundry, front and back verandahs, stable, sewerage, good neighbourhood, Torrens title, £560. WATKIN and WATKIN, Ashfield, and 313 Pitt-street.

ASHFIELD.—Elegant and commodious RESIDENCE, 8 rooms, 4 reception, 5 bed rooms, 2 kitchens, &c., good area of land, double-fronted, within 10 minutes of station, and surroundings. Torrens title. WATKIN and WATKIN, Ashfield, or 313 Pitt-street.

BLOCKS of good LAND, suitable for market gardening, nurserymen, dairymen, being under 6 miles from G.P.O., areas from 4 to 22 acres, at Marrickville, contiguous to railway station and to the Dulwich Hill tram, Torrens title. These Blocks have frontages to Cook's River. WATKIN and WATKIN,
313 Pitt-street, and Ashfield.

POULTRY FARMERS, Gardeners, and those on the lookout for acres close to town.—WATKIN and WATKIN, 313 Pitt-street, and Ashfield, have for SALE, Belmore, Hampden Park Estate, within 10 minutes of the station, ACRE BLOCKS, from £30 per block. Torrens title, Easy terms. Only 26 blocks left.

RANS SOUCI.—Splendid Sites for Poultry Farms, 1, 2, or 3 acre blocks, from £25 per acre. Small deposit, balance by instalments.
Get a plan and inspect. If you cannot call, send your name and address along.

LEWISHAM, close Station.—Brick and W.B. COTTAGES, 2 rooms, kitchen, &c., land 25ft. dia. x 100ft. Make an offer.
Summer Hill, and 17 Bridge-street.

ASHFIELD DISTRICT.
Near Brick COTTAGES, 4 rooms, kitchen, bath, &c., with ACRE OF LAND. Minute in neighbourhood, 10 minutes from station. Must be sold, owner leaving the colony, £160.
STANTON and SON,
Summer Hill, and 17 Bridge-street.

A CHARMING Detached Cottage RESIDENCE, 6 rooms, hall, kitchen, bathroom, laundry, &c., tiled hearths, marble mantels, verandahs, garden, good yard, lane at rear, overlooking Centennial Park, and handy to trams and buses, Torrens title, price £600, easy terms if desired, say £75 deposit, balance rent.
WALTER RUSH and CO.,
30 Queen-street, Woollahra.

SAFE INVESTMENT.—Six Brick COTTAGES, each 4 rooms, bath, laundry, &c., in good order, and situate in a first-class letting position and handy to 2 trams and 'buses, returning £240 per annum. PRICE, ONLY £1000. One-third deposited, any reasonable balance can remain at 5 per cent. TORRENS TITLE. As this property must be sold, early inspection is necessary.
WALTER RUSH and CO., 30 Queen-st., Woollahra.

A BARGAIN.—LAND in exceptionally low position. Park-road.—71 acres, £113 10s.
Corner Block, 5 acres, £50.
Great variety of Allotments, close to station.
ROBERT W. J. HARLEY,
166 King-street, Sydney, and Town Hall, Auburn.

CITY.—Splendid Investment.—Carcase Butchering and Cold Storage PREMISES, complete plant, title Torrens, £2500; easy terms.
H. ARNOLD MOLA and CO., 88 King-street.

NORTH SYD., Lavender Bay.—Substantial Terrace, rental £600, price £10,000. Arnold Mola, 88 King-st.

CHATSWOOD.—Four handsome Brick COTTAGES, hall, 4 rooms, bath, laundry, bathroom, all conveniences, rental £62, price £675 the two, a bargain. H. ARNOLD MOLA and CO., 88 King-street.

RARE CHANCE.—Waverley. Allotments, 80 x 128 feet; Bondwick, 130 x 119 feet; good positions, close to tram, must sell, £150 the lot. Bargain. STANTON and SON, 17 Bridge-street, and Marrickville.

MOSMAN, Avenue-rd.—Nice ALLOTMENT, 50 x 227, must sell, low price. Stanton and Son, 17 Bridge-st.

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THE DEATH OF QUEEN VICTORIA.

ACCESSION OF KING EDWARD VII.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, Jan. 25.

"The Queen is dead." We are by degrees getting accustomed to this sad fact. But the suddenness of the news of her illness and death was simply overwhelming. The premonitory ashes of her being even out of health came less than a week before her Majesty breathed her last. Thus events have raced during this never-to-be-forgotten week. It was significant of the love and admiration for the Queen that from Saturday last until Tuesday the whole city seemed covered with a pall of grief and suspense. People asked each other all Sunday how it was going to end; some predicted a meeting of Parliament the morrow, and a short Act to declare a Prince Regent. Indeed, if the illness had been a longer one this would have been necessary, for the Queen was too ill to sign important papers which required the sign manual of the Sovereign to make them valid.

But this one will always be able to say,—it was only when the night came in which no man could work that our beloved Queen lay down to rest from her labours, and from those fitful doses she passed into her reward. She was in every relation of life an admirable woman; and all the time behind her womanhood there was what should belong to all sovereigns, the inherited quality of ability to rule her people. Through sorrows which came quickly upon her as life neared its two last decades, her Majesty went on with her work, caring for those dearest to her, just as alive to their wants and interests as any true mother who loves her children.

Words fail us all in the face of so splendid an example of devotion to duty. Victoria the Great will live for ever in the annals of the country which she ruled during its most advanced period of success. Historians are even now ready with the accounts of this wonderful reign. One is too sad at heart thinking of the gap her death makes in all that has been so familiar to us since childhood to touch upon anything but the loss of her. At present it is uncertain whether the body of the Queen will be brought through London on its progress to Windsor. There are of course many precedents for a lying-in-state at Westminster Abbey, but it is unlikely that such a function will take place. At present the dear dead Queen is said to be lying on the bed where she died, with a face as pale as alabaster, the features thinner than we knew them in life, her lovely hands (they were always that) folded on her breast, and over her face a thin veil of gauze. A few flowers are placed beside her, and over her head a cross of gold. Near the bed stands a bust of the Prince Consort. Two Indian attendants stand at the head of the bed, and a dresser at her feet. Her company of Guards will arrive at Osborne to-day, and take up the duty of watching beside her until the time comes for the funeral. It seems to me a very fitting thing that the late ruler of the greatest navy in the world will have to cross the water on her way to her last resting place, and the naval portion of the funeral ties will be not the least imposing of the ceremonies.

Her death was announced soon after 7 o'clock on Tuesday evening. All day London went about whispers. I was in the "Sydney Morning Herald" Office in King-street, where they told me that they were watching the flag on the Mansion House all day, for the worst was expected after 4 p.m., when the Prince of Wales telegraphed to the Lord Mayor that it was his duty to tell him that the life of the Queen was in the greatest danger. From King-street I went into St. Paul's Cathedral for the afternoon service, and found the mighty pile full of people. Quietly the service progressed, the anthem was sung, prayers were offered for her Majesty, but the end was not yet. At 6 o'clock they telegraphed she was slowly sinking, and before 7 the heart had ceased action. By 9 I was again in the city, standing in front of the Cathedra and listening to the tolling of the great bell, which is only tolled on occasions like this. A quiet, serious crowd was gathering about the doors, but within all was dark and silent, only the tones of the resonant bell telling of the death of our revered Sovereign. "God has saved the Queen." I heard a man say near me as we went along to the Mansion House, where a message from the King to the Lord Mayor told of his beloved mother's death. All the Strand was dark. The theatres closed, and great posters everywhere telling the news that by this time had become general.

Early on Wednesday morning the King came to London to hold a Privy Council and to take the usual oaths. Crowds lined the streets, hoping to see his Majesty go down to the House of Parliament, but all the ceremonies took place inside St. James' Palace. I went on to Westminster, and by dint of good fortune was permitted to enter the precincts of the House of Commons, and saw the members taking their oaths to his Majesty King Edward VII. Then began the longest salute any of us are likely to hear. A battery was posted in St. James' Park and 81 minute guns were fired to commemorate the years the Queen had lived. By this time the whole populace had got into mourning. Every flag was at half mast.

The proclamation of the Accession of the King took place yesterday morning at 9 o'clock. It was a wretched grey morning with a haze and drizzle. Some 6000 troops were drafted into London to keep the ground between St. James' Palace and the Royal Exchange. I went to Fleet-street and saw the State trumpeters in their gold uniforms, the escort of Life Guards, the Generals, and the coaches in which rode the heralds with their insignia, the maces, and the parchment roll on which were inscribed the title and style of his Most Gracious Majesty our Sovereign Lord King Edward the Seventh. Everyone is so glad that we have another Edward. It is a fine English name, and one which has great associations.

Everything about the Court and arrangements is undecided. No one knows whether the Royal visit to Australia will take place or not; but it is surmised that it may only be postponed. The Duke of York becomes Duke of Cornwall and York, and as yet the title Prince of Wales is in abeyance. The German Emperor remains in England until after the funeral on Saturday, February 2. Even the mourning orders are vague as to their duration; next week things will have arranged themselves, and we shall know more definitely what is to be the rule.

The English mail bringing London files to date January 25 arrived yesterday. We make the following extracts relating to the last hours and death of her Majesty Queen Victoria, and showing the universal outburst of grief following the announcement of the sad event:—

THE CLOSING SCENE.

The special correspondent of the "Times" wrote on Tuesday, January 22:—"All day long the Angel of Death has been hovering over Osborne House. One could almost hear the beating of his wings, but at half-past 6 those wings were folded, and the Queen was at rest. To those who knew her Majesty best and most closely, as some of them have told me, the end seems less sudden and more merciful. To all of them the life of the Queen has seemed a part of the natural order of things, a thing as certain as the rising or the setting of the sun; and they are simply incapable of realising what it means. Foreseen and expected as the event has been, it is a shock now that it has actually come; and the affect of it has been to cause a feeling of stunned bewilderment, which seems for the present to drown all expressions of grief."

Shortly before 4 o'clock on the afternoon of January 22 a messenger dashed out of the Osborne Castle gates, bearing a most imperative order to Sir Arthur Bigge and Sir Fleetwood Edwards to hasten to the Castle at once, while members of the Royal Family were summoned to the bedside. Then came the startling announcement, and the sequence of these bulletins was significant. The first stated quite frankly that her Majesty's condition was worse, while the second for the first time gave some of those details for which the world had so anxiously awaited. The third was tantamount to an official surrender of hope. It is understood that during the day all her Majesty's closest relatives saw her and spoke with her. The strain upon her was marked. The last arrival of the afternoon was Prince Louis of Battenburg. The announcement of the Queen's death was made from the gates of the Castle at 7 o'clock by the Police-Superintendent Fraser in the following words:—"Gentlemen,—The Queen passed away at half-past 6 o'clock."

It is understood that her waking intervals had been very many, and after each one she had fallen back into slumber. It was in these wakeful moments that she saw the German Emperor on Monday, and that on Tuesday several members of the Royal Family secured a fleeting but precious recognition. It was early on Monday morning that she awoke and asked to have her little Pomeranian dog brought to her. Her Majesty fondled the pet for a moment or two, and then Princess Louise and Princess Beatrice entered the room and talked with the Royal patient. One or two others came in, and she also recognised and spoke to them.

It was the official bulletin issued just before 4 o'clock on Tuesday, stating that the Queen was slowly sinking, which brought clearly home to the watchers round the lodge gates at Osborne that all hope had been abandoned. Those words of unmistakable significance passed from one to another of the little group. No other words were spoken. Later the carriages entering and departing moved swiftly. They were bringing up the late arrivals. At 20 minutes to 6 the Duchess of York, with the Duke of Connaught's children (who had crossed with Mr. Balfour in the Fire Queen), were driven through the Royal entrance. Almost simultaneously another carriage, containing the First Lord of the Treasury, entered by the Prince of Wales's gate. A little earlier the Duke of Argyll and Lord Clarendon had arrived. Prince and Princess Louis of Battenburg did not reach Osborne House till half-past 6. By that time the Queen was dead.

Her death was absolutely peaceful and painless, and the Queen breathed her last in the presence of her children and grandchildren, of the Bishop of Winchester, and of the Lord Chamberlain (the Earl of Clarendon), who arrived just in time.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF HER DEATH.

The sad event was, no doubt, known in London some minutes before it was announced to the watchers at the gate, and the manner of its announcement to them was that Sir John M'Neill, V.C., came out and instructed Mr. Fraser, chief of her Majesty's police for many years, to make the facts known. Sergeant Fraser addressing those at the gate in the darkness, said simply:—"Gentlemen.—I am sorry to say that her Majesty passed away at 6.30." There was, perhaps, something appropriate in the fact that Mr. Fraser, whose attendance upon the Queen has been constant and faithful, should be the person chosen to make the final announcement. So all was over.

A MEMORABLE INCIDENT.

The private secretaries and other Household officials were busily engaged in answering the shower of Royal and other messages of sympathy. The King dictated several messages himself, notably one to the Czar and the Emperor of Japan, while Queen Alexandra sent a daughter's message to the King of Denmark. The dining room was rapidly prepared as a chapelle ardente. Before the precious burden was moved from the chamber of death on the following day, a memorable incident occurred. From 1 o'clock until 4 all the Queen's servants and attendants, together with some of the tenants, were permitted to take a final look at the sweet face of their beloved mistress. There were approximately 300 grief-stricken servitors who availed themselves of this pathetic opportunity, and among the first to enter the chamber, where the Queen's dressers were watching, and some of the bereaved princesses were present, were the five Indian servants, who since 1887 have been the devoted slaves of her Majesty's person; these also passed through the youthful nephew of the Queen's departed friend and servant, John Brown. One by one the household staff passed into the chamber from the Queen's sitting-room, which divides the bedroom from the Prince Consort's study, used by his Royal widow as a breakfast room. The carriage servants had exchanged their white breeches and top boots for black breeches and black shoes; they retained their canary-coloured waistcoats and white ties, covered by a black coat. The female servants wore entirely black dresses, unrelieved by any white material. All who were privileged to see the remains agree in stating that the Queen's face was but little changed by death. The contour of the face was as clearly defined as ever it had been, and the familiar features remained inviolate. The face was perfectly peaceful.

A SLEEP IN DEATH.

The special correspondent of the "Daily News" states that over the coverlet snowdrops and lilies of the valley were strewn, with a few delicate sprays of green leaves, tokens of love. Her hands were folded on her breast. Her head leaned slightly to the right. A white veil had been thrown over the face, but through the delicate texture the features were plainly visible. Perfect peace was imprinted on them. As white as marble, like the beautiful hands, they showed not the slightest trace of suffering. Even the appearance of age had almost gone from them, and of illness had left no shrinking, only refinement. Had a stranger, ignorant of the great Queen's death, been brought into the room and told that a child was sleeping, he might have believed, but for the solemn hush, the nurse and two Indian attendants standing there like statues, and the visitors stealing softly into the room, looking with tearful eyes at the wonderful figure, and gliding out to keep the memory of it as a precious possession to the end of their days.

THE NEWS RECEIVED IN LONDON.

The quick rush and the almost breathless shout of a newsboy, and London on the Tuesday evening knew what it had been waiting to learn for days. People were dressing for dinner, going home from the day's business, making their ways into the brightly lighted restaurants, taking their places outside the theatre doors, according to their circumstances and conditions of life. It was in their faces that they knew what was coming. The deepening import of the quickly succeeding announcements of the day could not be misunderstood. But while life remained there was still hope, people, though with grave faces, went their arranged ways; and then sudden

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—February 28.

Gomah, s., 1767 tons, Captain J. Gibb, from Hobart. Passengers—Misses M. Lilley, Gorge, Smith, A. Grace, Oakes, Howard, Yeomans (2), Mr. C. Purchase, Hutton (2), Stack, Tuchach, Barry, Mabb, Sharp, Mesdames Reid, Brown, Hall, Murray, Arthur, Younger, Ball, Magrath, Newton and infant, W. Bowman, Buck, Lockwood, Dowling, M'Donald, Watt, Higson, Rev. J. Collins, Superintendent Pedder, Messrs. Wardens (3), Gardiner, Browne(2), Roberts, Bompby (2), Merrsby, G. Carre, Dawson, W. T. Ball, R. W. Kite, Dowling (2), W. M'Donald, F. Shirley, C. J. Watt, W. F. M'Mahon, Stove, Mabb, Petersen (2), J. A. Roper, R. G. Cowper, J. Wright, Miller (2), Higson, Masters Ford, Morrisby, and 94 steerage. P. W. Jackson, agent.

Kaitiaa, s., 695 tons, Captain J. Magee, from Clarence River on the 27th instant. Passengers—Mrs. Oakes and family, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Woolridge, Misses Hookey, M'Cormack, M'Lachlan (2), Barnier, Harman, M'Phie, Mann, Senie, M'Innes, Kelly, Steel, Sightman, Masters Reynold, M'Phee (2), Furniss, Captain J. Brown, Rev. W. H. Howard, Messrs. W. O. M'Cormack, L. Butler, F. M. Eisebach, W. H. Walsh, J. Joyner, J. Lerbrun, P. Walsh, J. Hodahan, R. Auld, R. Kellner, H. J. M'Millan, and 10 in the steerage. From Trial Bay: Mrs. Reeves. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Cintra, s., 1979 tons, Captain H. T. Middleton, from Brisbane. Passengers—Misdames Campbell, Cameron, Blake, Sheriff, Bell, Hodges, Wilson, Allen, Thorne, Miss Sheriff, Messrs. M'Kenzie, Campbell, M. M'Cullough, Blake, P. M'Mahon, Littler, Parry, Sheriff, Blandstaler, Hodges, B. Jackson, L. Gentle, Herbert, Francis, Hamilton, also 20 in the steerage. Burns, Philp, and Co., Limited, agents.

Karuwera, s., 1477 tons, Captain Briscombe, from Northern ports. G. S. Yuill and Co., Limited, agents.

Juanita North, s., 3593 tons, Captain Calvert, from South Africa. Gilchrist, Watt, and Sanderson, Limited, agents.

Burrumbeet, s., 2420 tons, Captain P. Le Neveu, from Newcastle. Huddart, Parker, and Co. Proprietary, Limited, agents.

Newcastle, s., 1251 tons, Captain Thompson, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River Company, agents.

Macleay, s., 398 tons, Captain Baillie, from Richmond River. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

March 1.

Pilbarra, s., 2664 tons, Captain J. Banks, from Western Australia. Burns, Philp, and Co., Limited, agents.

Archer, s., 694 tons, Captain Henry, from South Sea Islands. Pacific Islands Company, agents.

Tomki, s., 560 tons, Captain Paulsen, from Richmond River. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Peregrine, s., 1660 tons, Captain J. Pain, from Brisbane. Wm. Howard Smith and Sons, Limited, agents.

DEPARTURES.—February 28.

H.M.S. Porpoise, for Portsmouth, via Townsville.

H.I.G.M.S. Mower, for Samoa, via New Guinea.

Yawata Maru, J.M.S., for China and Japan, via ports.

Mioruny, s., for New Guinea and New Britain.

Westralia, s., for Newcastle.

Birk-gate, s., for Noumea and Fiji.

Orange Branch, s., for South Africa, via ports.

Santa, barque, for Junin.

Wanaka, s., for Newcastle.

Glaurus, s., for Newcastle.

Ikhona, s., for Bombay, via Gladstone.

Rahanee, s., for Wellington, via Newcastle.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—March 1.

Pilbarra, s., for Western Australia, via Melbourne and Adelaide; Burrumbeet, s., for Melbourne and Geelong; Titus, s., for Lord Howe, Norfolk, Vila, Solomons, and Santa Cruz; Karuwera, s., for Melbourne; Albany, s., for Queensland ports; Newcastle Company's steamer for Newcastle; Trilby, s., for Port Macquarie, Wauchope, and Hastings River; Kincumber, s., for Laurieton, Kendall, and Camden Haven Rivers; Nacara, s., for Hawkesbury and Pittwater; Kingsley, s., for Cape Hawke and Wallamba River; Wyong, s., for Gosford and Wyong; Illawarra S. N. Company's steamer for Wollongong, Kiama, and Shoalhaven.

CLEARANCES.—February 28.

Moresby, s., 1763 tons, Captain J. Williams, for New Guinea, New Britain, via Cooktown and Thursday Island. Passengers Mrs. W. H. Gore, Mrs. Ford and 3 children, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Shirren and 3 children, Miss Bates, Miss M. Williams, Messrs. W. M. Robertson, G. Parkinson, J. Johansen, Thornewell, Master Gore, Master Shirren.

Birkgate, s., 1687 tons, Captain C. A. Thorpe, for Fiji, via Noumea. Passengers—Messrs. Tye Lang, F. O. Eddin, Zucker, J. Browne, R. A. Tate, G. H. Murray, A. M. Brodrick, C. Paul, also 3 in the steerage.

Yawata Maru, J.M.S., 3818 tons, Captain Moore, for Yokohama, via Brisbane, with passengers as published yesterday.

Ikhona, s., 5252 tons, Captain Stone, for Bombay, via Gladstone.

Orange Branch, s., 3434 tons, Captain F. Maling, for Durban and Capetown, via Newcastle, in ballast.

Rahanee, s., 2044 tons, Captain Holford, for Wellington, via Newcastle, in ballast.

Cromdale, ship, 1949 tons, Captain R. Sibley, for London.

COASTERS OUTWARD.—February 28.

Resolute, s., for Kiama; Balmain, s., for Newcastle; Merimbula, s., for Port Stephens; Rookhaven, s., for St. George's Basin; Lassalonne, ketch, for Nambucca River.

IMPORTS.—February 28.

(A special charge is made for consignees' notices in this column.)

Kellaitas, s., from Clarence River: 3500 bags maize, 17 bags bottles, 7 bags bones, 125 cases eggs, 28 cases fish, 13 cases honey, 225 boxes butter, 19 cans cream, 18 cases poultry, 33 pigs, 7 bales skins, 1 bale leather, 4 cases tallow, 50 hides, 8 hogsheads molasses, 2 horses, and sundries.

Oonah, s., from Hobart: 1065 cases 2055 half-cases fruit, 480 cases jam, 300 cases potatoes, 108 cases cheese, 208 bags peas, 113 bags malt, 195 bags barn, 758 bags ore, 64 bales hops, 18,500ft. timber, and a quantity of sundries.

Tintara, s., from Brisbane: 470 cases fruit, 778 bags ore, 128 hides, 27 tierces tallow, 320 bags sugar, 2567oz. gold, 430 bales wool, 125 bundles droppers, 170 bags bones, 1 horse, and quantity sundries.

St. Mary, s., from Wallaroo: 4704 ingots copper, 200 ozocs bluestone, 4041 pigs lead. For Newcastle: 500 tons sulphides. For Brisbane: 103 tons bagged ore.

Otaki, s., from Newcastle: 538 sacks oats, 312 bales straw, 24 sacks chaff, 10,529 bags potatoes, 48 sacks turnips, 92 sacks peas and sundries.

EXPORTS.—February 28.

Yawata Maru, s., for Yokohama, via Brisbane and ports: 97 cases cigarettes, 2978 bags sugar, 13 packages sewing machines, 21 packages sundries, 1 case opium, 1 case silver, 180 half-cases fruit, 1200 cases onions, 120 boxes butter, 79 casks tallow, 5000 bags flour, 10 cases wine, 13 cases bacon, 154 bales wool, 1207 bags wheat, 10 cylinders ammonia, 39 bales leather, 600 bags fertiliser, 780 bags sulphate, 25 cases hams, 69 packages produce, 34 packages glucose, 105 packages sundries, 1 case opium, 160 packages hoofs, 38 packages bones, 161 packages shanks.

Ikhina, s., for Bombay, via Gladstone: 4500 tons wheat, 61 horses, and 2114 bags and 29 bales hay for use of horses.

Cromdale, ship, for London: 3535 bales wool, 4979 bales concentrates, 1040 bags wheat, 661 casks tallow, 50 bales sheepskins, 251 bags asbestos, 32 bags wolfram, 144 tons alumite, and a quantity of pitha and horns.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING NEWS.

BRISBANE.—Arrivals: February 26, Wyanga, s., from Melbourne; Leichhardt, s., from Cooktown; Burwah, s., from Rockhampton. Departure: February 28, Bloomera, s., for Vancouver.

KEPPEL BAY.—Arrival: February 28, Marsaba, s., from Brisbane.

FLAT TOP.—Arrival: February 28, Rockton, s., from Cairns.

TOWNSVILLE.—Arrival: February 28, Adelaide, s., from Cairns. Departure: February 28, Essen, s., for Hamburg.

CAIRNS.—Arrival: February 28, Aramac, s., from Brisbane.

YAMBA.—Arrival: February 28, City of Grafton, from Sydney; Departure: February 28, Australian, s. The S.S. Kroonland, s., from Sydney passed north.

NEWCASTLE.—Arrivals: February 28, Wilmea, s., from Dauntless, s., from Port Stephens; Telmara, s., from Manning River; Nanna, from Saint Mary's; Westralia, s., Wanaka, s., Glaucus, s., Excelsior, s., Sophia Ann, s., Alice, s., Isabella, schooner, from Sydney. Departures: February 28, Nanna, ship, for Wellington, with 2180 tons coal; Rockwood, s., for Melbourne, with 2150 tons coal; Excelsior, s., for Byron bay; Kadina, s., for Fremantle, with 3450 tons coal, 348 bullocks, 1500 sheep, 46 tons hay; Westralia, s., for Wellington, via Sydney, with 1200 tons coal; Hannah Nicholson, schooner, Fanny Fisher, barque, Timaru, s., Namoi, s., Alice, s., for Sydney; Snow and Burgess, barque, for Honolulu.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: February 28, Kitawa, s., at 11.15 a.m., south; Gulf of Martaban, s., at 11.55 a.m., Barrier, at 2.30 p.m., for Sydney.

MELBOURNE.—Arrived: February 28, Australasian, s., at 11 a.m., Allowrie, s., at noon, Eden at 3.40 p.m., from Sydney. Departures: February 28, Lady Mabel, for Brisbane, for Sydney during night; Tintara, s., at 10 a.m., north; Eden at 5.30 p.m., for Eden.

KIAMA.—Departure: February 28, Allowrie, s., at 10.30 a.m., for Sydney.

CROOKHAVEN HEADS.—Departure: February 28, Allowrie, s., at 5 a.m.

BATEMAN'S BAY.—February 28, Peterborough at wharf, probably leave to-morrow.

EDEN.—Arrival: February 28, Bega, s., at 4.30 a.m. Departure: February 28, Bega, s., at 11 a.m., for Sydney.

JERVIS BAY.—Passed: February 28, a ship in deep trim at 5.30 a.m., north; Barrabool, s., at 8.30 a.m., south; Kolya, s., with lighter in tow, at 4.25 a.m., south; Conah, s., at 12.50 p.m., north; Pilbarra at 4.20 p.m.; north.

GREEN CAPE.—Passed: February 28, Meteor, cutter, at 9 a.m., Albany, s., at 9.30 a.m., Barrier, s., at 5.35 p.m., all north; Barrabool at 6.15 p.m., south.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: February 28, Kittawa, s., at 11.25 a.m., south; Gulf of Martaban, s., at 11.45 a.m.; west; Barrier at 2.30 p.m., north.

WILSON'S PROMONTORY.—Outward: February 28, Antullus, s., at 6.50 a.m.; Wyrralla, s., at 11.30 a.m.; Mainderry at 3 p.m.; Custodian at 4.30 p.m. (transport 97).

CAPE OTWAY.—Passed: February 28, Mintaro at 8.30 a.m., bound to Sydney.

ADELAIDE.—Arrivals: February 27, Euryalus, from Calcutta; Empire, from San Francisco. February 28, R.M.S. Arcadia, from Melbourne.

HOBART (Tas.).—Arrival: February 28, Kamara, s., at 10.15 a.m., from London.

LOW HEAD.—Arrival: February 28, Mary Laurie at 2.30 p.m., from Melbourne. Departure: February 28, Wahatipu, s., at 10.47 a.m., for Sydney.

STANLEY.—Arrival: February 28, Rosby at 12.30 p.m., from Melbourne.

ALBANY (W.A.).—Arrival: February 28, Dulwich at 10.15 a.m., from Melbourne. Departures: February 27, Medic at 7.15 p.m., for Adelaide; Knight of St. George at 11 p.m., for Durban.

SEMAPHORE.—Arrival: February 28, R.M.S. Arcadia at 12.40 a.m., from Melbourne. Departures: February 28, French mail steamer Australien at 2.30 a.m., for Melbourne; R.M.S. Arcadia at 3.40 p.m., for London.

FREMANTLE (W.A.).—Arrival: February 28, Paroo at 6.30 a.m., from Adelaide. Departures: February 27, R.M.S. Britannia at 4.45 p.m., for Adelaide; Dumfriesshire, barque, at 4.40 p.m., for Callao.

NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING.

WELLINGTON, Thursday.

Arrival: Taluae, s., from Sydney.

Departure: Mimiro, s., for London.

(For Continuation of Shipping Intelligence) see Page 6.)

METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS.

Observatory, Thursday.

Average annual rainfall for 62 years, 50·03in.
Average for 43 years from January 1 to 31, 3·07in.
Rainfall, January 1 to February 28, 9·50in.

STATE OF BAROMETERS AT 9 A.M.

Carnarvon, 30·00; Esperance Bay, 30·03; Eucla, 29·94; Streaky Bay, 29·96; Adelaide, 30·04; Robe, 30·03; Portland, 30·13; Melbourne, 30·16; Wilson's Promontory, 30·25; Gabo Island, 30·12; Cape St. George, 30·17; Sydney, 30·01; Newcastle, 30·03; Port Macquarie, 30·22; Clarence Heads, 30·15; Brisbane, 30·10, Rockhampton, 29·94; Mackay, 29·94; Cooktown, 29·82.

SYNOPSIS AT 9 A.M.

New South Wales.—Fine weather prevailed in western districts yesterday; cloudy on the coast, with some unimportant showers.

Queensland.—Cloudy to showery on the coast, fine but cloudy elsewhere.

Northern Australia.—Cloudy to threatening throughout.

New Zealand.—Cloudy in northern and central districts, fine in the south.

New Caledonia.—Fine but cloudy at Gomen.

Western Australia.—Fine but cloudy generally.

South Australia.—Cloudy and sultry generally, threatening in the north.

Victoria and Straits.—Cloudy on the coast, fine and clear inland.

Tasmania.—Cloudy in the east.

RIVER REPORTS, 9 A.M.

Albury, 5in. below summer level; Balranald, below summer level; Bungara, low; Bourke, 3ft. 9in., falling; Brewarrina, 3ft. 5in. above, 11in. below weir; Brewarrina, low; Condobolin, 1ft. 8in.; Cowra, 1ft. 1in.; Deniliquin, 2in.; Eumbalong, 1ft. 9in., falling; Euston, 4ft. 7in.; Goodooga, low; Gundagai, 1ft. 8in., falling; Hay, 1ft. below summer level; Hillston, 1ft. 11in., falling; Louth, low; Menindie, 4in.; Moama, 5ft. 7in.; Mogil Mogil, low; Moulamein, low; Mungindi, 1ft. 6in., falling; Pooncarie, 10·4in.; Tilpa, low; Tumbarumba, 2in. above; Wagga, 11in. above; Wentworth, 4in.; Wilcannia, 8in., falling; Yeoman, low; Barwon River, at Walgett, 1ft. 2in.; Namoi River, at Walgett, 2ft. 9in.

RAINFALL IN 24 HOURS PRECEDING 9 A.M.

New South Wales.—Port Macquarie 3 points, Tabulam 4, Lismore 3, Nambucca 3.

Queensland.—Barcaldine 12 points, Blackall 13, Cape Capricorn 75, Clermont 33, Eulo 13, Geraldton 230, Gladstone 41, Jundah 11, Mackay 16, Maryborough 32, Mitchell 9, Normanton 90, Rockhampton 280, Springsure 67, Townsville 4, Windorah 7.

TEMPERATURES.

Maximum Records, Wednesday.—Albury 90 degrees, Armidale 75, Balranald 96, Barmedman 92, Bathurst 85, Biloela 97, Bourke 97, Bodalla 84, Braidwood 82, Burke 99, Braidwood 83, Brewarrina 96, Broken Hill 97, Bundarra 88, Carcoar 80, Carinda 95, Cobar 92, Coffs Harbour 85, Coona 99, Coonabarabra 93, Coonamble 97, Cowra 94, Cudgellico 98, Deniliquin 86, Dubbo 95, Euston 92, Forbes 94, Gevanston 84, Glen Innes 77, Goulburn 76, Grafton 82, Grenfell 86, Gunnedah 95, Gunnedah 95, Hay 96, Hill End 87, Hillston 94, Inverell 80, Jerry's Plains 84, Kiandra 75, Lismore 84, Maitland 84, Menindie 93, Mogil 93, Molong 87, Moree 94, Mose Vale 75, Mount Hope 98, Mount Victoria 67, Mudgee 85, Mungindi 93, Murrumburrah 93, Murrurundi 81, Narrabri 95, Narrandera 94, Newcastle 83, Nymagee 93, Nyngan 90, Orange 80, Parkes 94, Quirindi 88, Quambone 94, Rockley 82, Scone 88, Singleton 84, Sydney 74, Tamworth 98, Temterfield 76, Uranz 93, Wagga 96, Wagga Wagga 90, Walcha 71, Walgett 94, Warialda 86, Wellington 91, Wentworth 98, Wilcannia 97, Wollongong 77, Wyalong 99, White Cliffs 93, Young 92.

COASTAL REPORTS AT 8 P.M.

Tweed Heads, S.S., fresh, fine, sea heavy; Byron Bay, S.E., cloudy, sea moderate; Ballina, S.E., cloudy, sea moderate; Clarence Heads, S.E., light, fine, sea moderate; Wooloweyah, S.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Bellinger Heads, S., light, cloudy, sea moderate; Nambucca Heads, E., light, fine, sea smooth; Macleay Heads, S.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Trial Bay, N.E., light, cloudy, sea smooth; Manning Heads, E., light, fine, sea smooth; Seal Rocks, E., light, fine, sea smooth; Port Stephens, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Newcastle, E., N.E., light, cloudy, sea smooth; Port Macquarie Heads, N.E., light, cloudy, sea smooth; Catherine Hill Bay, N.E., light, cloudy, sea smooth; Narrawjoey, E., light, fine, sea smooth; Smith's Head, E.N.E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Wollongong, N.E., fresh, cloudy, sea smooth; Kiama, calm, fine, sea smooth; Crookhaven Head, N.E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Jervis Bay, N.E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Ulladulla, N.E., light, cloudy, sea smooth; Batem-n's Bay, N.E., light, cloudy, sea smooth; Moruya, N.E. moderate, cloudy, sea smooth; Eden, N.E., light, overcast, sea slight; Green Cape, E.N.E., strong, overcast, misty, sea moderate; Gabo Island, N.N.E., light, overcast, gloomy, sea slight.

FORECASTS AT 9 P.M.

New South Wales.—Cloudy and unsettled conditions again approaching from the north and west, with warm and moist north-easterly winds.—H. C. Russell.

South Australia.—Still unsettled inland, with more rain in places, fine but hot and sultry, pleasant in other parts; more or less cloudy; easterly winds.—C. Todd.

Victoria.—Generally fine but hot and sultry, and gradually becoming cloudy; easterly to north-easterly winds; fresh along coast; sea moderate.—P. Baracchi.

Western Australia.—Fine moderate weather south of Shark's Bay, with probably a few light showers on south-west and south coasts; fine but more or less cloudy inland.—W. E. Cooke.

FORECASTS BY MR. ANDERSON.

New South Wales.—Generally unsettled on and near the coast, chiefly in the far N.E., with rain, heavy in parts, and rough sea. Fair inland, but scattered showers are not unlikely.

Western Australia.—Again cloudy generally, with rain at scattered stations, particularly in the southern half under strong winds.

Northern Territory.—Yet more rain, and principally cloudy during the greater part of the day.

South Australia.—More or less cloudy generally, rain at scattered stations, variable winds blowing strong at times; sea rising.

Queensland.—Notwithstanding times of fair weather conditions point to rain over a large area of country, with some thunder, but the precipitation will be heavy on parts of the seaboard, particularly south from latitude of Mackay, under strong S.E. to E. winds, and rough to high seas, under the influence of Tasman; still general to north-east of Sandy Cape.

Victoria and Tasmania.—Fair generally, save for scattered showers; winds very variable; sea moderate to fresh.

New Zealand.—Generally unsettled, with passing rain, and strong winds.

New Caledonia.—Cloudy under fresh S.E. winds, and some showers are likely.

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDA FOR MARCH 1.

Sun rises at 5.43, sets at 6.33; Moon, 4.0 p.m., 1.53 a.m.; Mercury, 6.40 a.m., 6.50 p.m.; Venus, 4.36 a.m., 5.54 p.m.; Mars, 6.21 p.m., 5.6 a.m.; Jupiter, 12.47 a.m., 3.7 p.m.; Saturn, 1.17 a.m., 2.31 p.m.

New Moon, 9th; First Quarter, 16th; Full Moon, 24th.

High water at Fort Denison, 5.33 a.m., 6.2 p.m.

THE MAILS.

THIS DAY.

South Australia.—Overland, 5.30 p.m.

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* Letters for Melbourne only will be accepted without late fee for the express from 5.30 to 6.30 p.m. if posted in the special box, which will be open for that purpose during the time stated.

Queensland.—Overland, 3.45* p.m.

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Lord Howe, Norfolk, Vila (New Hebrides), Solomon, and Santa Cruz Islands.—Titus, 4 p.m.

Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Parcels, 5.30 p.m.

SATURDAY.

Hobart and Launceston.—Oonah, 11 a.m.

Brisbane.—Tyrian, 11 a.m.

Wellington, &c. (N.Z.), direct.—Westralia, 11 a.m.

Monte Video, Buenos Ayres, Chili, Rio Janeiro, from Wellington.—Pakeha, 11 a.m.

Richmond River.—Tumah, 1 p.m.

Noumea.—Australien, 3 p.m.

Clarence River.—Kellaitas, 5 p.m.

Strahan, Eeehan, and West Coast of Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Kawatiri, 5.30 p.m.

Western Australia, via Adelaide.—Coolgardie, 8.30 p.m.

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MONDAY.

Manning River.—Electra, 1 p.m.

Port Macquarie and Nambucca River.—Rosedale, 4 p.m.

Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Coogee, 5.30 p.m.

TUESDAY.

Eden.—Eden, 9 a.m.

Richmond River.—St. George, 1 p.m.

Thursday Island, Port Darwin, Manila, Hongkong, and Japan.—Taiuan, 4 p.m.

United Kingdom, Continent of Europe, India, and Mauritius.—Overland to Adelaide, and thence per R.M.S. Orubs, 4.30 p.m.

R.M.S. Orubs.—Letters addressed to persons on board, overland to Adelaide, 4.30 p.m.

Western Australia, via Adelaide.—R.M.S. Orubs, 5.30 p.m.

Dunedin, &c., N.Z., and Hobart, via Melbourne.—Moana, 5.30 p.m.

Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Penguin, 7 p.m.

Clarence River.—City of Grafton, 8 p.m.

Macleay River.—Burrumbeet, 9 p.m.

Byron Bay, Coff's Harbour, and Woolgoolga.—Excelsior, 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY.

Hobart.—R.M.S. Oceana, 10 a.m.

Noumea.—Pacifique, noon.

Auckland, &c., N.Z. (direct.)—Waikare, 2 p.m.

Tahiti and Rarotonga, from Auckland.—Ovalau, 2 p.m.

Tonga and Samoa, from Auckland.—Tauroto, 2 p.m.

Western Australia, via Adelaide.—Pilbarra, 5.30 p.m.

Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Patonga, 5.30 p.m.

THURSDAY.

Hobart.—Tambo, 11 a.m.

Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Coogee, 7 p.m.

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The Sydney Morning Herald.

FRIDAY, MARCH 1, 1901.

Mr. Kruger has been informed that his grandson, Piet Kruger, and his son-in-law, Lieutenant Malan—both belonging to Commandant Delarey's force—were killed in an engagement in the Rustenburg district.

Commandant Hertzog is striving to join Commandant de Wet at Petrusville. According to Mr. Bennet Burleigh he is now near Petrusville. The patrols were engaged last Tuesday, and a battle then appeared imminent.

General Louis Botha is between Ermelo and Middleburg, and Lord Kitchener has his headquarters at the latter town.

Lord Kitchener reports that General French's additional captures up to Monday included several guns and many rifles, besides small-arm ammunition, horses, cattle, and sheep.

The War Office is largely increasing the force of Yeomanry at the Cape.

Boer women detained in camps whose husbands are on commando receive reduced rations, whilst other women in the laagers are on full rations.

General French captured Commandant Scheeper's laager, near Willowmore, and all his supplies when the bulk of the commando was absent. Besides 40 Boers who were captured, 300 surrendered to General French after the fight.

Commandant de Wet recently advised Commandant Hertzog to the effect that unless the Boer raid into Cape Colony was a signal success the commandants had better consider the advisability of surrendering to the British.

The Pacific Cable Board has disapproved of the agreement entered into by New South Wales with the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company.

A cable message states that the Yale, the Lick, and the Coburg Observatories report that the brilliancy of Nova Persei, the new star discovered in the constellation Perseus is diminishing.

The French Chamber of Deputies has ad

the Northern Territory and Queensland. It was still cloudy and favourable for rain in the western division of Queensland yesterday, and a new monsoonal movement is reported from Port Darwin, which may give thunderstorm rains in the State. Locally yesterday a fresh breeze between E. and E.S.E., with a bright sky, following upon the dull, depressing weather of the two preceding days, was appreciated. The highest temperature in the shade was 74·9, and the highest percentage of humidity 65· at 9 a.m.

Rev. W. G. Lawes, D.D.—The Rev. W. G. Lawes, D.D., one of the London Missionary Society's missionaries in New Guinea, and his wife, who arrived in Sydney on December 31 last, left yesterday by train to catch the R.M.S. Orotava at Melbourne, intending to proceed by that vessel to England. Mr. Lawes is making the trip chiefly for the purpose of getting through the press a revised edition of the New Testament in Motu, one of the most widely known of the New Guinea languages. The first edition was published ten years ago. Portions of the Old Testament have been printed in Motu. The Rev. J. Chalmers assisted in the original translation. Mr. Lawes has arranged to deliver an address at the united meeting of the London Missionary Society and of Methodists to be held at the Albert Hall, London, on April 24. It is 40 years since the Rev. W. G. Lawes left England, and 26 years have been spent in New Guinea. He expects to return here before Christmas, and to be back in New Guinea in March, 1902.

A Marble-Workers' Union.—A well-attended meeting of the marble workers of Sydney and suburbs was held last night at the Trades' Hall to discuss a dispute which recently took place in the trade in reference to rates of wages and the hours of labour, and to consider the advisability of forming a union. The chair was occupied by Mr. E. Riley. The object of the meeting was explained by Mr. M. R. Aarons, secretary of the Sydney Labour Council organising committee. Mr. W. M. Hughes, M.L.A., addressed those present, and urged them to immediately form a union. It was moved,—"That a union be formed." The motion was carried unanimously, and a large number of members were enrolled.

Suicide at Burwood.—The Coroner for Burwood, Mr. T. E. MacNevin, P.M., held an inquest yesterday upon the body of an old man named Thomas Woolman Anderson, lately resident at George-street, Burwood. From the evidence it was gathered that the deceased, who was aged 63, had taken a dose of arsenic while under some mental excitement. The finding of the jury was that of suicide while suffering from temporary mental derangement.

Messrs. Burns, Philp, and Co. desire it to be mentioned that the sailing hour of the steamer Cintra for Brisbane will be 10 a.m. to-morrow, and not 1 p.m. as previously announced.

The Saturday afternoon excursion to the Hawkesbury will be made by the steamer Newcastle, which is timed to leave the Margaret-street wharf of the company at 2 p.m. to-morrow.

"Government Gazette" No. 170, issued yesterday, contains a copy of the regulations for admission to the Forest Service branch of the Royal Indian Engineering College, Cooper's Hill.

The Minister for Works wishes to announce that, in view of the anticipated arrival of the Duke and the Duchess of Cornwall and York, he is unable to grant any further loans of flags and decorations. He has also found that while the majority of bodies who have received loans of these materials have been prompt in the discharge of their obligations, in some cases there has been delay.

Alderman G. W. Hampshire, ex-Mayor of Leichhardt, was on Tuesday evening presented with a handsome silver cradle on an ebony stand, suitably inscribed, the gift of his brother aldermen in the Leichhardt Council. The presentation was made by the Mayor of Mosman, Alderman H. W. Horning, and to the healths of Mr. and Mrs. Hampshire were drunk with enthusiasm. Alderman Hampshire responded.

Particulars of contracts entered into for the conveyance of Post Office mails from January 1 are published in "Government Gazette" No. 167.

In response to inquiries Alderman Claude Lethbridge (ex-Mayor of Willoughby) announces that he will be a candidate for the Willoughby State electorate at the next election.

At the last meeting of the Mosman Council it was decided to write to the District Superintendent of Government Tramways (Mr. H. F. Brown) to call attention to the rate of speed travelled by some of the drivers on the Mosman line on the Avenue and Spit roads.

An old man, named Henry Strugnell, was drowned in a waterhole near Paul's Pottery, off Epsom-road, Waterloo, last evening.

Under the auspices of White Rose Lodge of Free Gardeners, No. 5, a concert was given in the Excelsior Hall, Marrickville, on Monday evening in aid of a resident in distressed circumstances. There was a large attendance, and the entertainment was a musical and artistic success. Mr. J. J. Box acted as hon. secretary, and Mr. C. Robbie as hon. treasurer to the movement.

Lists are published in supplements to the "Government Gazette" of officers of the Postal and Telegraph Department who have become entitled to receive increases in their salaries.

DEATH OF MR. JAMES HUDDART.

A private telegram was received in Sydney yesterday from Brisbane announcing the death of Mr. James Huddart, formerly senior member of the firm of Huddart, Parker, and Co. Mr. Huddart was the son of the late Mr. William Huddart, of Whitehaven, Cumberland, a shipbuilder. He received his education at the College of St. Bees, about five miles from his native place, and in 1860, while still a very young man, he came to Australia, where his uncle, Captain Peter Huddart, of Geelong, Victoria, was also in the shipping line. In his uncle's office he received a commercial training, and afterwards became associated with him in the coal trade between Geelong and Newcastle. About 1865 or 1866 his uncle left for England, and Mr. James Huddart was placed in charge of the business. In 1870 he founded the firm of Huddart, Parker, and Co., which was for many years in the intercolonial steamship trade, and in 1881 he founded the Canadian mail line, the sailing line the first to run between Sydney and Vancouver. He left Australia for England in 1895, and has resided there ever since. One of his sons, Midshipman Huddart, was killed at the battle of Magersfontein; the eldest son is at present in Brisbane connected with the shipping firm of Burt and Co.; a third is at Oxford, training for the engineering profession; and a married daughter, Mrs. Schwan, resides in London. Mr. Huddart was 57 years of age at the time of his death.

THE PACIFIC CABLE BOARD.

NEW SOUTH WALES AND THE EASTERN EXTENSION COMPANY.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The following cable was received to-night by the Premier from the Agent-General:—"Referring to your cable message of February 20, the Pacific Cable Board considers that the agreement entered into between New South Wales and the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company is prejudicial to the Pacific cable, and it recommends the Secretary of State for the Colonies that a conference of Governments interested should be held to discuss the effect of the agreement on the Pacific cable. As Agent-General only, may I suggest that I be authorised to see the Secretary of State for the Colonies, pointing out that Victoria should be placed on the same footing with New South Wales, and therefore Victoria should be permitted the same concession as New South Wales enjoys, and in the event of the proposed conference being held the Session arrived at to apply to Victoria equally with New South Wales."

The Premier has not yet replied to the suggestion made by Sir Andrew Clarke.

FEDERAL MILITARY CONFERENCE

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

When in Adelaide to-day Sir John Forrest instructed Brigadier-General Gordon to proceed to Melbourne to attend a conference of military commandants. These officials have been appointed a committee to draft a Defence Bill for the consideration of the Federal Parliament. They meet in Sydney next week. Brigadier-General Gordon will leave Adelaide on Monday or Tuesday.

TO-DAY.

Wesleyan Conference, Centenary Hall, York-street: 10 a.m., Century Fund Business; 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., Methodist Union Affairs.

Sydney Rowing Club: Moonlight Excursion and Concert, Abbotsford, Parramatta River. Steamer from No. 3 jetty, Circular Quay, 7.30 p.m.

Popular Concert (Welsh and English) in the Y.M.C.A. Hall, 8 p.m.

Horticultural Association, Monthly Meeting, Queen's Hall, 8 p.m.

N.S.W. I.O.O.F., Arch Purple Meeting, Palmer-street, 7.30 p.m.

Unemployed Meeting, Queen's Statue, 3 p.m.

Commonwealth Exhibition of Australian Art, Society of Artists' Galleries, 76 Pitt-street, open daily from 10 to 5.

Her Majesty's Theatre: "Djin Djin," 7.45 p.m.

Theatre Royal: "The Scarlet Feather," 8 p.m.

Palace Theatre: "A Highland Legacy," 8 p.m.; "Tom, Dick, and Harry."

Criterion Theatre: "Brought to Justice," 8 p.m.

Tivoli Theatre: Vaudeville and Variety Season, 8 p.m.

Lyceum Theatre: "The Ladder of Life," 8 p.m.

Cyclorama, Cinematographe, Illusions, &c.: 10 a.m. till 10 p.m.

New Polytechnic, George-street, opposite Victoria Barracks, 8 p.m.

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THE FISCAL FIGHT.

By Freetrader.

Speaking at Hobart on Tuesday Mr. Kingston, upon whom, as Minister for Customs, will devolve the preparation of the tariff, said: "There was no doubt that the Federal Government was protectionist, but the duties would not, he hoped, be very high. It was necessary to protect Australian workers from imported goods, the product of cheap labour." The statement is perfectly correct except in three or four somewhat important particulars. The assurance that the Federal Government is protectionist was hardly needed; but freetraders and Mr. Wise will do well to note the fact. As to whether the duties will be very high will depend upon the extent of the support the Government get at the elections. They will make them as high as Parliament will permit. The taxpayer, and especially the New South Wales taxpayer, will please make a note of that. Further, duties that are not high do not protect against imported goods. Protectionists know that, and freetraders should not forget it. Lastly, these duties, so far as they are effective, do not protect the worker but the manufacturer; and, if we are to accept the assurance of protectionists themselves, it is not against "imported goods the product of cheap labour" that the protection is wanted. The silent voter, whose voice is seldom heard in public meetings, who is very little in evidence at election times, but whose weight is often sufficient to turn the scale, may be depended upon to test these statements for himself.

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Protectionists constantly assure us that in protectionist countries wages are higher and prices cheaper than in freetrade countries. The assertion sounds like an economic impossibility; but we may let that pass. Now, so far as the existing State tariffs have enabled one State to collect duties upon imports from the other States—and some of the duties were put on chiefly for this purpose—the object was certainly not to protect against cheap labour. We are also assured that in nearly every country in the world, except Great Britain and benighted New South Wales, protection is the accepted fiscal policy. Therefore in these countries wages are higher and prices—that is, the cost of living—cheaper than in freetrade countries. We have had figures and assertions showered upon us in abundance to show that wages are better and living cheaper in Victoria than in New South Wales. It is not necessary just now to inquire whether the assertions are true. They may be accepted as the protectionist's view of the matter.

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Let us try to reduce these statements to a series of definite propositions.

It is necessary to protect Australian workers from imported goods, the product of cheap labour.

In countries which have a protective tariff wages are high and prices low.

Therefore, there is no reason to fear the competition of such countries.

But all civilised countries, with one or two trifling exceptions, such as Great Britain, have a protective policy.

Therefore, in Australia it is unnecessary to protect the worker against any countries, except, perhaps, Great Britain, because cheap labour is not be found in the United States, Germany, Belgium, France, and other countries which have adopted a protective policy.

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Apart from the utterly false assumption that protection means high wages and cheap living, the real fallacy is concealed in the substitution of "Australian workers" for "the products of Australian sweated labour," as though they were the same thing. That they are not the same thing is shown by the historic case of the match industry in Melbourne—one of the industries, by the way, which will be in danger of being destroyed by a freetrade policy. The duty on matches used to bring in about £12,000. A foreign firm offered, if the duty were made sufficiently high to exclude the foreign product of "cheap labour," to establish the industry in the colony. This was done. The revenue from the duty fell to less than £2000. The amount paid to the workpeople in wages—chiefly boys and girls—is about £1500. The Government lost about £10,000 in revenue. Victorian workers—boys and girls—gained £1500. The public paid as much for matches as they did before, or more. Where did the balance go? Into the pockets of the manufacturers. Protection protects the product, or the man who owns it; but it does not protect the worker. If the Victorian Government wished to find employment for some 42 boys and girls, would it not have paid them better to continue receiving the revenue of £12,000 and appropriate £1500 of it in paying for some really profitable employment for the young people? There may be good reasons why this should not be done; but it would be a much more sensible course, in the interest both of the public revenue and the purchaser of matches, than the one that was adopted.

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That protective duties do not protect the farmer was effectively shown by the operation of the duty on cereals imposed by the Dibbs Government. The millers in Sydney are a small body of men who are actively alive to their own interests. They said that it was possible for them to get the whole advantage of these duties, and no one can blame them that they seized the opportunity. Without any fuss they entered into a mutual agreement as to prices. They fixed the price of flour at a rate which would prevent the undue competition of Victorian flour, and they fixed the price for wheat at a rate which enabled them to retain the whole of the duty. Not one penny of the duty went into the pockets of the farmers; the public had to pay the higher price which the duty enabled the millers to charge, and the millers were the only gainers. If the Government, as the supposed guardians of the public purse, chose to make such a gift to one section of the community, it would have been foolish on their part not to accept it.

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At Toowoomba this week, Mr. Barton is reported to have said: "The Federal Government declined to destroy industries. The other policy advocated was revenue and destruction." Can any statement of the case be more illogical. A Government railway has its terminus at a country town. This gives the town a certain advantage, and industries spring up. Is the extension of the railway, though it may mean "revenue and destruction," to be opposed in the interests of the established industries? Must not the smaller interests involved give place to the larger national interests. Does Mr. Barton decline to destroy the match-making interest in Victoria? If he does will he adopt the more sensible course and propose to compensate or subsidise it? Then, the revenue will not suffer, and everybody will see what the effect of protection is. The Government subsidy will appear in the receipts of the company, and it will be disbursed amongst the shareholders and not amongst the workers. Freetraders have no wish to destroy industries. But they claim that the settlement of the Commonwealth finances on a sound basis, and one that will not tend to restrict trade or commerce, is of infinitely more importance than the maintenance of industries that require to be perpetually bolstered up.

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By a careful selection of the periods for comparison figures may be made to prove anything. Much has been made of the increase in the export of German manufactures between 1883 and 1898 as compared with the small decrease in English exports of manufactured goods between those periods, though the total of the British exports of this class is still very largely in excess of the German. The words of the great German Chancellor, Bismarck, have been quoted as a model: "We must," he said in 1879, "shut our gates and take care that the German market, which is now being monopolised by foreign wares, shall be reserved for native industry. Countries which are enclosed have become great, and those which have remained open have fallen behind." What has been the experience in Germany? The number of persons liable to pay income tax has shown a steady decline. And as in Germany the exemption is very low this means a serious falling-off in the income of the workers, showing that protection does not protect them. A telegram published during last week informed us that "there is a great decrease in the German home trade, especially in iron manufactures; and that 50 per cent. of the Berlin building trades workmen are unemployed." Moreover, whereas in eighteen months the export trade of England showed an advance of £38,000,000, the advance in the German export trade was only about £14,300,000. A significant commentary upon the epigrammatic assertion of Bismarck and a warning to us not to make Australia "an enclosed country," is that there is a falling-off in both the home and the export trade of Germany.

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LATE EDITION.

THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

GENERAL BOTHA'S MOVEMENTS.

REPORTED SURRENDER.

LONDON, Feb. 28, 2.1 p.m.

General Botha is moving towards the headquarters of General Viljoen, at Roosenkraal.

2.55 p.m.

It is officially announced that General Louis Botha, the Boer Commander-in-Chief, has surrendered to Lord Kitchener.

3.5 p.m.

The announcement that the report of the surrender of General Botha was official was premature.

It is now stated that the report is unofficial.

HEMMING IN DE WET.

THE JUNCTION WITH HERTZOG.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

Commandant de Wet, Mr. Steyn, and Commandant Hertzog are encamped together on the south bank of the Orange River.

Colonel Thorneycroft is pushing towards them from the west. Other British commanders are converging to intercept them in every direction.

Commandant de Wet is preparing to move eastward across the railway line between Norval's Pont and Naauwpoort.

MURDER OF A KAFFIR.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

Sir Alfred Milner confirms the report that Commandant Hertzog flogged a kaffir named Esau at Calvinia with fatal results.

BOERS IN THE TRANSVAAL.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

The Boers at Pietersburg, 177 miles north of Pretoria, are running a train to Warmbad, 64 miles north of the capital, watching an opportunity to destroy the Pienaars River Bridge.

FIGHTING NEAR ZEERUST.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

A force of New Zealanders at Zeerust shelled the Boers to the southwards of the town and compelled them to remove their lagers. The New Zealanders captured some cattle.

The garrison at Zeerust has constructed a bomb-proof fort and entrenchments and entanglements.

A BURIED CANNON.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

The scouts of Lieutenant-General French's force discovered a cannon and ammunition which the Boers had buried.

SKETCH OF GENERAL BOTHA.

Mr. T. F. Millard, the war correspondent, writing in the "Daily Mail," says:—"When the war began Louis Botha was unknown to fame. Under Lucas Meyer he had served with credit in a campaign or two against the Kaffirs, where he distinguished himself enough to secure a seat in the Volksraad. In that body he kept modestly in the background, as befitted his youth, but quickly became recognised as a man of sense and caution, and gained a position among the leaders of the Progressive party. Like Joubert, Botha was for peace at any reasonable sacrifice, but when he became convinced that the independence of his country was threatened he doned rifle and bandolier and hurried to the border. The command of the Vryheid burghers was given to Lucas Meyer by virtue of his seniority and military experience. Botha was nominated assistant-general, a sort of make-shift rank hastily created for the purposes of the war. The young commander—he is only 36—soon demonstrated his ability. By the time Ladysmith was invested his name was already more on the tongues of the burghers than even Joubert's, and his defence of the Tugela raised him to first place in the hearts of the fighting rank and file. Thus, when Joubert died, the old chief's mantle fell naturally and properly upon Louis Botha. General Botha's personal appearance is most striking. A magnificent physique is topped by a countenance of singular openness and charm. Never have I encountered a more winning personality, a quality which greatly enhanced his influence with the independent spirits who composed the Boer commandoes. When the war is over Botha will be a power for reconciliation. By nature the man is gentle as a child, which seems so often true of men of unusual courage; altogether, a model husband and father, educated, refined, a devout but not bigoted Christian, a man who would be honoured and respected in any community in the world."

CHINA.

THE SHANHAIKWAN RAILWAY.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

The Peking to Shanhaikwan railway will remain under British military control until the evacuation of China.

CUBA.

AMERICAN DEMANDS CONCEDED.

LONDON, Feb 28.

The convention of Cubans has virtually conceded the demands of the United States defining the relations of Cuba with the United States, and recognising the right of the United States to intervene should occasion arise to preserve the independence of Cuba or to maintain good government in the island.

THE PHILIPPINES.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

Despite a vigorous Democratic opposition, the United States Senate has by 45 votes to 27 adopted an amendment in the Army Estimates giving President M'Kinley control of the Philippines.

REMOUNTS FOR THE ARMY.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

The Supplementary Estimates laid before the House of Commons include a vote of £2,000,000 for remounts for the Army.

SILVER.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

Bar silver is quoted to-day at 2s 4 3-16d per ounce standard, a rise of 1-16d since yesterday.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

HEAT WAVE IN ADELAIDE.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

The weather has been very oppressive to-day, the temperature at 3 o'clock being 103· in the shade. There is no immediate prospect of the heat wave breaking up.

Dr. J. S. M'Intosh, a well-known practitioner, who had spent nearly 50 years in practice in the colony, died last night at the age of 86 at Glanville. Dr. M'Intosh was at one time a surgeon in the service of the East India Company.

LATE SHIPPING.

ARRIVAL.—March 1.

The steamer Archer, from the islands, anchored in Watson's Bay at 2 a.m.

SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE "HERALD'S" LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

FIGHTING IN SOMALILAND.

REPULSE OF THE OGADAYNS.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

The attack of the Ogadayn tribe in Somaliland on the British zareba at Sannass, was very fierce. Three sides of the zareba were rushed simultaneously, and the corner of the zareba near the field hospital was broken.

The Ogadayns were repulsed and lost 250 men. The British losses were 40.

The expedition has returned to Affmadu.

RAID ON THE ABYSSINIAN FRONTIER.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

A strong force of friendly Somalis, supplemented by Indian troops, is preparing to suppress a mad Mullah who is raiding on the Anglo-Abyssinian frontier.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

THE FRENCH SHORE.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

The Legislative Council of Newfoundland has adopted a motion agreeing to renew the modus vivendi with regard to the French Shore until December.

Several members declared that they would never again renew the agreement.

A few days ago the Legislative Assembly of Newfoundland passed a resolution similar to that which the Legislative Council has now carried.

THE FRENCH NORTH AMERICAN COLONY.

ENGLISH OPERATORS TO BE DENATIONALISED.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

The English cable operators in the French colony of St. Pierre et Miquelon off the south coast of Newfoundland, in connection with the French cables, have been notified that they must take the oath of allegiance to France or leave the service.

Much surprise is expressed at this action of the French Government, since the colony is neither a naval nor a military base.

The colony of St. Pierre et Miquelon was recognised as belonging to France in the treaty of Paris of 1763, and although several times taken by the British since it has always been restored after a short interval. The area is 81 miles, and the population about 5000. The islands are frequented by French codfishermen.

THE IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

EIGHT-HOURS MINES BILL.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

In the House of Commons last night a bill introduced by Mr. J. H. Yoxall (Liberal) representing West Nottingham, and having for its object the legalisation of eight hours as a day's work in mines, was read the second time by 212 votes to 199.

Of the Irish Nationalist party, 65 members supported the measure.

THE AMERICAN STEEL TRUST.

AN ENORMOUS CAPITAL.

LONDON, Feb. 27.

The capital of the United States Steel Trust, formed to control the steel manufacturing industry, consists of 300,000,000dol. (about £60,000,000) in bonds, 400,000,000dol. (about £80,000,000) in preference stock, and 400,000,000dol. (about £80,000,000) in common stock.

Sheffield firms believe that the "combine" will not affect high grade and the best carbon steel, but that it may possibly injure the British girder and bridge work.

THE CABLE AGREEMENT.

DISAPPROVED BY THE PACIFIC CABLE BOARD.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

The Pacific Cable Board has disapproved of the agreement entered into by New South Wales with the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company.

FRENCH DEATH DUTIES.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

The French Chamber of Deputies has adopted death duties ranging from 1 per cent. to 18½ per cent.

THE ALAMEDA IN A FOG.

LONDON, Feb. 27.

The steamer Alameda ran into a fog off San Francisco, and slowed down. The passengers protested against the delay. When, on arrival in port, they heard of the disaster to the City of Rio de Janeiro, they presented the captain of the Alameda with a testimonial.

THE CONSTELLATION PERSEUS.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

The Yale, the Lick, and the Coburg observatories report that the brilliancy of Nova Persei, the new star discovered in the constellation Perseus, is diminishing.

The above cable confirms what Mr. H. Russell anticipated in the interview with him on Wednesday. He then stated, "It often happened that small stars suddenly became bright, but they never remain so for a lengthy period."

THE PLAGUE AT CAPETOWN.

LONDON, Feb. 27.

Seven fresh cases of plague have occurred at Capetown. Two of the sufferers are Europeans. The majority of the cases has been traced to rats.

Feb. 28.

Owing to the apathy of the Capetown Municipal Corporation, the Cape Government has undertaken the duty of suppressing the plague.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

As a result of the outbreak of plague at Capetown the Board of Public Health at a meeting this afternoon formally passed a motion making a berthing regulation which had to be observed by inter-state shipping when bubonic plague was prevalent in Australia applicable to vessels coming from proclaimed ports in the old world.

THE COLLIERY DISASTER.

LONDON, Feb 27.

The victims of the colliery disaster at Diamondville, in the United States, number 36.

DEATH OF HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN.

A Memorial Number, Miniature Herald of January 24, 1901. Copies may be obtained from all news agents, and at the Herald Office, Pitt, Hunter, and O'Connell streets, and Branch Office, King-street. Price, One Penny.—Advt.

CHINA.

RUSSIA'S HOLD OF MANCHURIA.

FURTHER PRIVILEGES.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

Dr. Morrison, the "Times'" correspondent at Peking, states that Russia is pressing Yang Yu, the Chinese Minister at St. Petersburg, to sign a further convention which will strengthen the exclusive Russian protection of Manchuria, and will grant Russia special privileges in Northern China.

A little over a week ago, Dr. Morrison reported that Yang Yu had telegraphed that by the proposals of M. Witte, the Russian Finance Minister, supplementing the agreement made between Tsang Chi and Admiral Alexeff, the Manchurian provinces of Mukden and Hei Loung Kiang would each have a Russian military official to control the Chinese police, and a Russian civilian to control the railways. The proposals further provided that commercial concessions in Manchuria should be reserved to Russia, and that Russia should control the inland customs of Manchuria and the native customs at Niuchwang, but that the maritime customs at Niuchwang should be paid into the Russo-Chinese Bank. Russian leanborne goods were also to be granted special privileges in Manchuria.

RUMOURED ITALIAN ANNEXATION.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

Italian cruisers are surveying Nimrod Bay, and are erecting a building on the Chekiang coast. It is believed that Italy intends to make an annexation of territory.

Nimrod Bay is a harbour of refuge on the coast of the Chekiang province.

THE DUKE OF CORNWALL AND YORK.

THE EMPIRE TOUR.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

The Ophir, in which the Duke and the Duchess of Cornwall and York will make their Empire tour, has started for Portsmouth. Mr. Keir Hardie, M.P. (Labour), will, when the Estimates are under discussion in the House of Commons, move the reduction of the vote of £20,000 towards the expenses of the tour of the Duke and the Duchess of Cornwall and York to £1000.

PROPOSED GOVERNMENT ARRANGEMENTS.

REVIEW AT THE CENTENNIAL PARK.

MARCH THROUGH THE CITY.

The State Government of New South Wales has not yet fully completed the programme of events for the reception of T.H.R. the Duke and the Duchess of Cornwall and York and their entertainment here, but some details have been settled.

The royal visitors will be fittingly escorted up the harbour, and will land at Farm Cove at the Federal landing-stage over which the Governor-General passed on his arrival in Sydney.

There will then be a procession through the city, the streets of which will be decorated after the style, though on a smaller scale, adopted in connection with the Commonwealth celebrations. At present the suggested route is as follows:—Along the Domain road to St. Mary's-road, Macquarie-street, Bridge-street to George-street, George-street to Martin-place, along Martin-place to Pitt-street, up Pitt-street to Bathurst-street, then into George-street and down to King-street, up King-street to Queen's-square, and along Macquarie-street to Government House.

Subsequently, on a date to be fixed, there will be a grand military review in Centennial Park, and there will also be a display by school children. It is proposed, too, to invite the Duke to lay a memorial stone in connection with the extension of the Art Gallery building. The State Government will hold a reception in honour of the visit.

The complete programme will shortly be issued. The committee which has it in hand is composed as follows:—Mr. Critchett Walker, C.M.G. (Principal Under-Secretary), Major-General French, the Mayor of Sydney (Dr. Graham), and the Inspector-General of Police (Mr. Fosbery). The committee will make recommendations, which will be subject to the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor and the State Ministers, and the Governor-General and the Australian Ministers.

MELBOURNE GOVERNMENT HOUSE ACCOMMODATION.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

In order to have sufficient accommodation at Government House for the receptions which the Duke and the Duchess of Cornwall and York will hold, steps will be taken to enlarge the ballroom by the addition of a temporary structure along the adjoining terraces.

Mr. M'Culloch, the chairman of the Government Celebrations Committee, approves of the suggestion to have 20,000 Sunday school children paraded at St. Kilda-road on the day of the landing of the Royal visitors.

At a meeting of head masters of Public schools to-day preliminary arrangements were made in connection with the distribution of prizes by the Duke and the Duchess of Cornwall and York at the Exhibition Building. The prize distribution ceremony will last about an hour, and the only speechmaking will be in proposing and seconding a vote of thanks to their Royal Highnesses.

THE LATE QUEEN VICTORIA.

ERECTION OF A MEMORIAL.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

The Queen Victoria Memorial Committee has decided that the memorial shall be of a personal and monumental character.

The King has approved of the decision.

After the funeral of the late Queen the Lord Mayor of London, Alderman Frank Green, in a communication to King Edward, suggested that a small committee should be formed, consisting of members of the present Government and of the later Governments of the late reign, to consider what form the national memorial to Queen Victoria should take, and to nominate a representative committee to mature the scheme.

TEACHING OF ENGLISH IN CONTINENTAL SCHOOLS.

LONDON, Feb. 27.

English has been made a compulsory subject in the examination for French public appointments, has been introduced in the curriculum of German day schools, and is an optional subject in the commercial schools in Russia.

THE CHINA NAVAL STATION.

VICE-ADMIRAL BRIDGE COMMANDS.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

Vice-Admiral Sir Cyprian Arthur George Bridge, K.C.B., has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of the squadron on the China station in succession to Vice-Admiral Sir Edward Hobart Seymour, K.C.B.

Sir C. A. G. Bridge served in the Brisk in the White Sea, 1854. He was present at the operations of the Bar of Archangel and at the attack on Solovetski; was first on when landing with a flag of truce on one of the islands. He took part in the second expedition to Petropaulovski afterwards. He was present in the Pelorus in the Bay of Bengal during the Indian mutiny. He landed with the Naval Brigade, and processed to the Burmese frontier at Meaday. He was appointed Rear-Admiral in 1892, and was Commander-in-Chief on the Australian station from January 14, 1895, to November, 1897. A year after leaving that command he was raised to the rank of Vice-Admiral, and in 1899 he was knighted.

It had been announced that Vice-Admiral Sir H. H. Rawson would succeed Sir E. H. Seymour, but subsequently it was stated that the latter's term on the China station had been extended. Sir H. H. Rawson is senior to Sir C. A. G. Bridge.

HARBOUR COLLISION.

A slight collision occurred in the harbour on Wednesday afternoon between the steamer Brighton, owned by the Port Jackson Co-operative Steamship Company, and the hulch Dewdrop, bound to Lord Howe Island. The Brighton was proceeding from Manly to Sydney, and the hulch, in deep trim, was going to an anchorage near Garden Island. The Dewdrop lost her bowsprit by the impact, and a stanchion on the ferry steamer was broken. After the collision the Dewdrop returned to Parbury's Wharf. Yesterday a survey was made, and it was found that the vessel's deck was started in addition to the damage already noted. She will be detained in port some time in consequence.

THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

CHASING DE WET.

TIGHTENING THE CORDON.

A BATTLE IMMINENT.

MORE CAPTURES IN THE TRANSVAAL.

LONDON, Feb. 27.

Commandant Hertzog is striving to join Commandant de Wet at Petrusville, a few miles south of the Orange River.

Feb. 28.

Mr. Bennet Burleigh, the war correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph," cabling on Tuesday evening, reported:—

"The Orange River is still in high flood.

"The British columns are tightening their grip on Mr. Steyn and Commandant de Wet.

"Commandant Hertzog is near Petrusville.

"Our patrols are engaged with the enemy and a battle is imminent."

THE DEFEAT OF DE WET.

VICTORIANS CAPTURE A GUN.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

In the engagement with Commandant de Wet on Saturday last the 15-pounder of the Boers was captured by Captain J. C. Marker, of the Coldstream Guards, and Privates Sheehan, O'Brien, and Green, of the Victorian Mounted Rifles.

On the same occasion two commandants and 200 of Commandant de Wet's followers were captured.

THE QUESTION OF SURRENDER.

LONDON, Feb 28.

Commandant de Wet recently advised Commandant Hertzog that unless the raid in Cape Colony was a signal success it would be better to consider the advisability of surrendering.

THE TRANSVAAL OPERATIONS.

FURTHER LARGE CAPTURE.

BOERS IN CONSTERNATION.

LONDON, Feb. 27.

General Botha is between Ermelo and Middleburg.

In the engagement near Willowmore, between the force commanded by Colonel Sir C. S. B. Parsons and Commandant Scheeper, 40 Boers were captured. 300 surrendered to Lieutenant-General French after the fight.

Feb. 28.

Commandant Scheeper's lager at Willowmore and all its supplies were captured when the bulk of the commando was absent.

General Lord Kitchener, who is now at Middleburg, reports that up to February 25 the additional captures made by Lieutenant-General French since February 16 were:—One 19-pounder Krupp gun, one howitzer, one Maxim, 20,000 rounds of small-arm ammunition, 153 rifles, 384 horses, 6000 cattle, 10,000 sheep, and 287 waggons.

There were, Lord Kitchener adds, no British casualties.

The Boers at Pretoria are filled with consternation at the successes of Lieutenant-General French.

RELATIVES OF MR. KRUGER KILLED.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

Mr. Kruger has been informed that his grandson, Mr. Piet Kruger, and his son-in-law, Lieutenant Malan, both belonging to Delarey's commando, were killed in an engagement in the Rustenburg district.

DESPATCH OF REINFORCEMENTS.

LONDON, Feb. 27.

The War Office is increasing the force of the Yeomanry at the Cape to 15,000. Reinforcements to the number of 10,000, consisting mostly of mounted men and artillery, will be despatched before March 14.

WOMEN IN THE LAAGERS.

LONDON, Feb. 27.

In the House of Commons last night Mr Brodrick, the Secretary of State for War, stated that women detained in camp, with husbands on commando, were on reduced rations. Other women in the laagers were on full rations.

THE IMPERIAL DRAFT CONTINGENT.

Major-General French yesterday, at the Royal Agricultural Society's ground, inspected the Army Medical Corps attached to the 2nd and 3rd Regiments Mounted Rifles.

The Governor-General will inspect the contingent one day next week prior to the embarkation of the force for South Africa.

Yesterday's returns of the men who passed the medical, riding and shooting tests were as follows:—41 submitted themselves to the doctor, of whom 36 were accepted. Forty went through the firing competition, of whom 37 qualified, and of 56 who were tested in riding 51 succeeded in passing.

The camp state yesterday was as follows:—Number of men handed over to Lieutenant-Colonel Lassetter, 666; number of men enrolled in the 3rd Regiment Mounted Rifles, 666; number of men enrolled in the drafts, exclusive of "A" Battery and Army Medical Corps, 455. Total, 1791. In addition there were 64 supernumeries.

A camp order issued last night notified that the following officers had been attached for duty with the drafts:—

No. 1 DRAFT.

Lieutenant Simmons, Acting-Lieutenant Breckenridge, Acting-Lieutenant Bowden, Lieutenant Greenwell, and Acting-Lieutenant Ryrie.

No. 2 DRAFT.

Acting-Lieutenants Dart, Cameron, Buchanan, and Holland.

No. 3 DRAFT.

Acting Lieutenants Southey, Brooke, Shaw, Bomley, and Griffiths.

No 4 DRAFT

Acting-Lieutenants Darcey, Carter, Hindmarsh, M'Kell, and Hanlon.

The undermentioned having passed all tests have been provisionally enrolled and posted as follows:—

SECOND REGIMENT MOUNTED RIFLES, "D" SQUADRON.

J. Balchin, E. T. Hitchings, N. Oswald, F. Butcher, T. A. Jackson, J. W. Randell, B. Scanlon, J. G. Edwards, W. D. M'Leod, J. Williams.

THIRD REGIMENT MOUNTED RIFLES.

S. C. Haymours to regimental staff 3rd Regiment Mounted Rifles; C. J. Cooper to "C" Squadron 3rd Regiment Mounted Rifles.

SUPERNUMERARIES.

E. R. Boyd, J. Brown, W. H. Easterbrook, T. Ferguson, J. T. Hay, J. Rensell, R. Richards, J. W. Sadlier, L. C. Williamson, J. K. Borsland, E. Bickle, M. Farrell, E. Fitzgerald, A. J. Kennedy, J. Robinson, W. A. Sheffield, E. Summerfield, A. Webb, A. Borsland, F. W. Coates, J. H. Fitz, S. George, P. F. Mugavan, J. Read, W. F. Scott, S. E. Vince, F. H. Wilmott.

The following transfers have been made:—R. S. Robinson, from 1st draft to 2nd Regiment Mounted Rifles; G. F. Coyle, from E squadron 3rd Regiment Mounted Rifles to 2nd Regiment Mounted Rifles; T. F. Kelty and J. J. Toll, from Machine Gun Section 3rd Regiment to 2nd Regiment Mounted Rifles; D. G. Chadwick, from 1st draft to Regiment Staff 3rd Regiment Mounted Rifles.

WOLLONGONG, Thursday.

A complimentary social was given at the Town Hall last night to Messrs. C. Tyrons and W. Kohler, who leave for South Africa with the next contingent.

VALEDICTORY TO THE REV. H. C. FOREMAN.

At the Mosman Wesleyan Church on Wednesday evening a tea and valedictory meeting was tendered to the Rev. H. C. Foreman, who has been appointed Wesleyan chaplain to the Imperial Contingent, which will shortly leave for South Africa. For the last two years Mr. Foreman has been in charge of the Mosman and Neutral Bay circuits. The building

of the matter is at any rate always received with cheers. No doubt his final utterances satisfy some people, and render others discontented. On the whole, however, Mr. Barton succeeds in pleasing the majority of the citizens. His views are expressed in this issue, so that there is no need to repeat them.

What I desire to point out is that there is very little difference in matters political between the two sides in Queensland. Neither party is as well organised as we are in New South Wales. The supporters of the Government have formed themselves into what are known as federal leagues. The labour party has organisations of its own. As a matter of fact, it has usually been better organised than has what Mr. Barton would term the other side. The labour people have always advocated a white Australia. They abhor black labour, but they profess they are not unreasonable, and are quite willing to allow the Federal Government a little time in which to bring about a new state of things. The followers of the present Government also maintain that they equally desire a white Australia, but they want the requirements of the sugar planters to be studied. In fact they are favourable to a continuance of the black labour until it can be proved that the cane fields can be worked by white people. The great objection seems to be that white men will not work in the plantations, especially in the northern portion of the colony.

The question, therefore, seems to resolve itself into one of time, and Mr. Barton's speeches for the present, at any rate, seem to please both sides. The followers of the labour party say that they will vote for him because he says he believes in a white Australia, and will bring about a cessation of kanaka importation at the earliest possible moment. The Government supporters like him because he has promised to give a "fresh lease" of, it is presumed, 10 years at least to the black labour traffic, and they think that if the system is licensed for another 10 years it will have a chance of going on for ever. Therefore it is not surprising under these circumstances to be assured that there is every probability of the Federal Government receiving good support from Queensland in the Federal Parliament.

But the danger is recognised that between the two stools—the support of the labour party, and also the help of the Government followers—the Federal Premier may come to the ground. Mr. Barton evidently sees this thoroughly. That is why he always adheres so to words that are almost identical whenever he speaks of the black labour question. The slightest twist in a sentence might cost him thousands of votes. If in the interval before the meeting of Parliament the Ministry does not make sufficient pronouncements to please the labour members from Queensland they will vote against the Government proposals; and, on the other hand, if there is an attempt to abolish kanaka importation in too great a hurry the Queensland Government supporters will become dissatisfied. What Mr. Barton has to do, therefore, is to try and steer a middle course between the two parties, and so far he appears to be succeeding.

Generally speaking, there seems to be very little excitement in Queensland concerning federal matters. At the same time there is a great desire to hear what Mr. Reid will have to say on matters when he arrives in the colony. Very few State legislators appear to be seeking federal honours, and probably the most noticeable fact is that Mr. Philp, the State Premier, has thrown in his lot with the Barton Government.

THE CANDIDATES.

THE SENATE.

The following have announced themselves as candidates for the Senate:—

FREETRADE.—Hon. A. J. Gould, Hon. G. H. Cox, C. J. Royle, J. G. Griffin, S. A. Rose, Hon. E. Pulsford, J. T. Walker, J. P. Gray, F. Abigail, F. Cotton, W. C. Shipcott, J. C. Neild, E. Lindsay-Thompson, Sir M. Harris, James Moriarty.

PROTECTION.—R. E. O'Connor, Edan George, R. Coloma Close, Harris Wood, R. D. Meagher, J. Kidd, W. Richardson, F. Lynch, D. Fealy, J. T. Gunson, John Norton.

LABOUR.—S. Smith, D. Macdonell.

SOCIALIST.—A. Thompson, T. Mellings, J. Neil, H. E. Holland, J. C. Watson, J. Morrish.

INDEPENDENT.—E. Terry.

CURRENCY REFORMERS.—W. H. Gocher, Dr. Zillmans.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following is a list of the candidates who have declared themselves for the House of Representatives in the 26 different electorates of the State. Those selected by either the freetrade or protectionist organisation are distinguished by an asterisk, freetraders being further distinguished by the letter F, protectionists by P, labour candidates by L, and independents by I.

EAST SYDNEY	Right Hon. G. H. REID*(F) J. POSKITT (L)
WEST SYDNEY	W. M. HUGHES* (LF) J. C. BEER (P)
DALLEY	W. H. WILKS* (F) S. J. LAW (L) J. H. COOHEN* (P)
PARKES	BRUCE SMITH* (F)
NORTH SYDNEY	DUGALD THOMSON* (F) E. M. CLARK (F) T. H. LAYTON (F)
PARRAMATTA	JOSEPH COOK* (F) W. SANDFORD* (F)
ILLAWARRA	G. E. FULLER* (F) D. DAVIS (P) A. HAY (P)
MACQUARIE	SYDNEY SMITH* (F) W. J. FERGUSON* (F)
CANOBLAS	J. BROWN* (LF) B. E. WISE* (F) W. B. MELVILLE (P) T. DAVEY (P)
RIVERINA	JAMES ASHTON* (P) J. M. CHANTER* (F)
BARRIER	J. THOMAS* (LF)
WENTWORTH	Sir W. M'MILLAN* (P)
LANG	F. E. M'LEAN* (F) W. KELL (F) J. F. SMITH (F) J. PASSMORE EDWARDS (P)
WERRIWA	A. B. CONROY* (F) T. ROSE* (P)
HUNTER	Right Hon. E. BARTON* (P)
MUME	Sir W. LYNE* (P) W. C. GODDARD (F)
COWPER	C. CLARKE* (F) H. M'KINNON (P) R. DAVIDSON (F)
NEW ENGLAND	W. SAWERS* (P) W. S. DOWEL (P) G. M. SIMPSON (I)
ROBERTSON	W. H. WOOD (P)
EDEN-MONARO	A. CHAPMAN (P)
SOUTH SYDNEY	J. S. T. M'GOWEN* (P) E. W. FORALL (F) J. SALMON (F)
BLAND	J. C. WATSON (LP) P. HEFFERNAN (P) T. LUCAS (P)
GWYDIR	G. A. CRUICKSHANK (P) E. SLEATH (L)
RICHMOND	T. T. EWING (F) Dr. BERTRAM (F)
DARLING	W. G. SPENCE (L) Dr. BERTRAM (F) F. E. QUINN* (P)
NEWCASTLE	L. W. BOWLES (F)

CANDIDATES IN THE OTHER STATES.

VICTORIA.

In the State of Victoria there are 23 electorates for the House of Representatives, each to return one member. For the Senate there are also several candidates. The following is a list showing the respective parties to which they belong:—

THE SENATE.

Messrs. R. Baker (P), Stephen Parker (P), J. G. Barrett (P), Best, M.L.A. (P), J. L. Dow (P), Duffy, M.L.A. (P), Fraser, M.L.C. (F), A. J. Hampson, W. T. C. Kelly, G. A. Maxwell, L. L. Pearce, R. Reid, M.L.C., Sir Frederick Sargood, M.L.C. (F), Sergeant, James Styles, J. A. Wallace, M.L.C., W. A. Watt, Sir William Zeal, M.L.C.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.—SINGLE ELECTORATES.

BALACLAVA.—Sir George Turner (P).
BALLARAT.—Mr. Alfred Deakin (P), Mr. Vale, M.L.A. (F).
BENDIGO.—Sir John Quick (P).
BOURKE.—Mr. J. M. Chapman (P), Mr. James Miramo (F), Mr. J. M. Rose, M.B. (P), Mr. F. T. Hickford (F).
CORINELLA.—Mr. Fitzgerald, M.L.C. (F), Mr. J. W. M'Cay (P).
CORIO.—Mr. Levien, M.L.A. (P), Mr. A. M'Naughton (P), Mr. R. A. Crouch (P).
ECHUCA.—Mr. M'Call, M.L.A. (P), Mr. Max Hirsch (F), Mr. J. W. Wilson (P).
FLINDERS.—Mr. Deasward, M.L.A. (P), Mr. A. C. Groom (P), Mr. L. L. Smith (F).
GIPPSLAND.—Mr. A. M'Lean, M.L.A. (P).
GRAMPIANS.—Mr. A. W. Binder, M.R.C.P. (P), Mr. T. Skeens (P), Mr. W. H. Whitenshall (P).
INDI.—Mr. J. A. Isaacs, Attorney-General (F), Mr. T. Martin (F).
KOOYONG.—Mr. Fink, M.L.A. (P), Mr. Foster Rogers (P), Mr. Knox, M.L.C. (P), Mr. V. Pritz (P), Mr. W. H. Elder (P).
KORANGAMITE.—Mr. J. Chester Manifold (P).
LAANECOORIE.—Mr. Dalmon, M.L.A. (F).
MOIRA.—Mr. W. Wee (F), Mr. Mauger, M.L.A. (P).
MELBOURNE.—Mr. Maloney, M.L.A. (P), Sir Malcolm M'Eacharn (P), Mr. L. J. Plough.
MELBOURNE PORTS.—Mr. Mauger, M.L.A. (P).
MELBOURNE SOUTHERN.—The Rev. J. B. Ronald Jenks (P), Mr. F. C. Gray (F), Mr. J. Bernaswanth (P), Mr. David Gaunson (P), Mr. Godfrey, M.L.C. (P), Mr. Alex. Sutherland (P).
MELBOURNE NORTHERN.—Mr. H. B. Higgins (P), Mr. J. Gardiner (P), Mr. Isaac Selby.
MURUNDA.—Mr. S. Stuart (P), Mr. T. Hunt (P), Mr. Robert Harper (F).
WANNON.—Mr. L. F. Cuses (P), Mr. S. W. Cooke, M.L.C. (F), Mr. L. Howrins, Mr. J. Thomson.
WIMMERA.—Mr. Irvine, M.L.A. (F), Mr. Phillips, M.L.C. (P), Mr. R. Williams (F).
YARRA.—Mr. P. J. O'Connor (P), Mr. William Wilson.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

In South Australia no special legislation was passed for the division of the State into electoral districts for the federal elections. The electors will therefore vote as one constituency for the 11 members of the Lower House, as provided in the constitution. The candidates who have announced themselves up to the present are as follows:—

SENATE.

FREETRADERS.—Messrs. W. Copley, D. M. Charleston, Sir R. C. Baker, Sir J. H. Symon, and J. S. Addison.
PROTECTIONISTS.—Sir John Downer, Messrs. J. Kirkpatrick, R. M'Gregor, and T. Playford.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FREETRADERS.—Messrs. F. W. Holder, M.L.A., F. M. Glynn, M.L.A., V. J. Solomon, M.L.A., R. Wood, H. Forgeus, J. Vaughan, T. Price.
PROTECTIONISTS.—Messrs. C. C. Kingston, J. Vaughan, T. Price, E. Batchelor, and R. Caldwell.

THE AUSTRALIAN LIBERAL ASSOCIATION.

FURTHER SELECTION OF CANDIDATES.

The organising committee of the Australian Liberal Association met yesterday and decided that the following additional candidates should be selected as those to contest the undermentioned federal electorates in the protectionist interest:—

Darling.—Mr. P. E. Quinn, M.L.A.
Macquarie.—Mr. W. J. Ferguson, M.L.A.
South Sydney.—Mr. J. S. T. M'Gowen, M.L.A.
Canobias.—Mr. B. R. Wise, M.L.C.

MR. BARTON'S TOUR.

VISIT TO GYMPIE AND MARYBOROUGH

A WARM WELCOME.

(BY OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

MARYBOROUGH, Thursday.

Mr. Barton, Federal Premier, accompanied by his colleague in the Ministry, Mr. Drake (Federal Postmaster-General), and by Mr. W. B. O'Connell (Queensland Minister for Lands) and a number of visitors, left Brisbane at 7.35 this morning, and arrived at Gympie about noon. The party was met at the station, and welcomed to the district by the Mayor (Alderman Mulcahy). A visit was paid to the Royal Bank with a view of inspecting a yield of smelted gold, amounting to 2839 ounces, which had been found at the North Smithfield Gully Mine. The members of the party were afterwards the guests of the Federal League, at a luncheon at the Northumberland Hotel. Mr. F. J. Power being the chairman. The most noticeable feature of the proceedings was that two specimens of gold in quartz were presented to Mr. Barton, the one for himself being from No. 1 North Oriental and Glasmire Mine, and the specimen for Mrs. Barton being one from No. 2 South Great Eastern Mine.

PUBLIC MEETING.

A public meeting was held in the local hall. The chair was taken by Mr. F. J. Power, president of the Gympie Federation League, and there was a large attendance of townspeople.

Mr. Barton, who was received with cheers, said that he would have liked, if there had been time, to visit every large centre of population in Australia, but the polling for the Federal Parliament took place on March 29 or 30, and there was little time for him to traverse a continent. Australia, however, was blessed with a faithful press, so that if a politician could not visit a district he yet had some means of getting his views before the people. (Cheers.) Mr. Barton explained at some length that the thing he was charged with by his opponents was that he was "vague and indefinite." The other side said that because it was about all they could say. It was the work of Parliament to consider details relating to bills. They could not be debated out on a public meeting. (Cheers.) He ventured the opinion that there would be opposition against the Government. Upon this subject he remarked, "I do not think that the opposition will be strong, at least not so far as numbers are concerned, but it will be led by a leader, if we take him at his own word—although we do not yet know who is to be the leader of the opposition, but a certain gentleman seems to think that he will be—well, if so, the opposition will be led by a leader of great sagacity and with very few scruples. (Cheers.) So we have our work cut out, but we are not a bit afraid. (Cheers.) Mr. Barton proceeded to deal with the fiscal issue. He instanced that no one State could lord it over the rest. One gentleman of importance said there were only two issues—was New South Wales or Victoria to triumph as regarded the fiscal question; and was Mr. Reid or Mr. Barton to be first Federal Premier? (Cries of "Barton," and cheers.) The question of what Mr. Barton called the other side trying to reconcile freetrade or high tariffs was debated. How, he asked, could they put a duty on any article coming into Australia without it being protective in its incidence. So variable were the climate and the soil of Australia that a duty could scarcely be put on any article which was not grown in some portion of the continent. This idea of a freetrade tariff was only raised by an aspirant who wanted to get into his (Mr. Barton's) boots. (Cheers.) He really could not truthfully say that the other side a freetrade party. Take sugar for instance, it was claimed that an excise duty ought to be put on to the same amount as the import duty, but that matter need not trouble them, as under the two duties they would not be able to grow sugar in Queensland either by white or by black labour. A certain portion of the address was devoted to the question of the franchise, and adult suffrage was promised with the view of bringing about equality in this respect between the States. (Cheers.) A bill dealing with old-age pensions was foreshadowed by Mr. Barton, but he uttered a word of warning. He did not want to promise anything which he could not carry out. The financial conditions which would surround the Commonwealth during the early years would prevent the Government introducing a bill as early as it desired, but as soon as finances permitted the question of such a measure would be introduced, and he hoped would be carried into law. The question of a white Australia was discussed in detail. Great interest appeared to be taken in the matter, and the speaker was repeatedly cheered. The policy of the Federal Government was, he said, to abolish what was made in Queensland that kanaka importation should go on for ever. (Cheers.) On this point Mr. Barton said: "I explained this matter fully last night at the dinner of the Australian Natives' Association, but the morning one organ in public opinion publishes an article which means, if it means anything, that black labour is to continue for ever in Queensland. Now, I am quite opposed to the principle which that newspaper puts forward. (Cheers.) I quite recognise that from 20,000 to 25,000 white men are gaining their living in connection with the sugar industry, and what we have to do is to see if we can reconcile matters in connection with these undesirable races, so that at the same time we can save an industry in which the rest of Australia is much interested, as you are." (Cheers.) In connection with defence, Mr. Barton explained that his idea was that the citizen soldier should be the soldier for the Commonwealth. There must be a certain number of partially-paid men, but the bulk of the defenders of Australia should be raised on what some people called the voluntary system, but which he preferred to call a system of "citizen soldiers." It was not the desire of the Ministry or of the people to dabble in every quarrel which arose, but he believed that the rest of the Empire, South Africa as well as England and Canada, would come to our assistance in the time of need, and we should be in a position to render them assistance in our turn when any part of the Empire was attacked. (Cheers.) He did not ask United Australia to do any more than manhood demanded, and, above everything else, he wished it to be understood that the Commonwealth would not aggravate any possible military system. (Cheers.) Mr. Barton finally asked his audience to return members to both Houses of Parliament who would support the present Government.

Mr. Drake, who was cordially received, said that the post and telegraph offices would to-morrow be taken over by the Federal Government, and he assured his hearers that one result of combination would be to cheapen and improve the various services. He explained that measures were now in process of formation for the purpose of placing the machinery necessary to carry on the Commonwealth Government. It was desirable that during next session the Federal Government should be free to devote itself to the kind of work. He understood, however, that there was a movement on foot in New South Wales to send men into the Parliament with a view of hampering Mr. Barton, and preventing him carrying on the business of the Government. He thought it was only fair that the work of carrying on the Commonwealth Government should, during the early years of the existence of the new nation, be entrusted to those to whom had the honour of federation. For his own part he could not see that any other people presented anything which could be regarded as an alternative to Mr. Barton's policy. He had attended meetings in Sydney, Melbourne, Ballarat, and Adelaide, and everywhere the policy which the Federal Government had enunciated had been received with acclamation, and nowhere had he seen any definite policy put before the people as an alternative. (Cheers.) Mr. Barton's policy was one which was dominated by the necessity of Australia at the present time. It practically stood unchallenged, and must ultimately be adopted by the people, because, by that the people of Queensland would be careful concerning the men they sent into Parliament. He had no fear as to some of the candidates nominated by some of the States. He had some doubt, however, with regard to some of the men nominated in the sister State of New South Wales. It seemed to him that some of them might be sent to help the hinderers rather than to assist in the proper interpretation of the Federal Constitution. He appealed to the men of Queensland, who had been federalists in the past, to continue to adhere to the same principles, and to send into Parliament men who would assist in carrying out the policy of the present Government. (Cheers.) The Government bills were all of a liberal and progressive nature. They were measures for which the liberal parties in most of the States had been striving for years in vain, but they were not now an unattainable ideal: they were not the dreams of dreamers. These measures, in fact, were now in the grasp of the citizens of the Commonwealth of Australia, if they would accept them. (Cheers.)

The proceedings closed with loud cheers for the Federal Ministers and the chairman. The party then left for the train to continue their journey to Maryborough.

MEETING AT MARYBOROUGH.

Mr. Barton and Mr. Drake arrived at Maryborough at 5 p.m., and were cordially welcomed by prominent citizens. A dinner was given at the Royal Hotel. A meeting held in the Town Hall in the evening was crowded. There were about 1000 people present, a large number of ladies being in attendance. Many persons were unable to gain admission. The chair was taken by the Mayor, Alderman Rabus.

Mr. Barton was accorded a magnificent welcome, and delivered himself in his usual great style. Naturally he travelled over well-known ground. He had a good deal to say about the necessity of raising revenue without causing the destruction of any established industries. The sugar question claimed early attention, and it was not desired to render the people taxed by closing the sugar mills, but the time must come when this must be a white Australia. (Loud cheers.) Special care would be taken that the living would not be taken from 20,000 white persons who were indirectly engaged in the sugar factories. The option of the Australia was that a time limit should be put to kanaka importation. (Renewed cheers.) He would, however, not act precipitately. He had to stand between the man who wanted the importation abolished at once and the man who never wanted it done at all, and say "I will not please either of these." (Cheers.) He was told that they did not take much interest in the tariff question in Queensland. In New South Wales too much was made of this matters. Many tariffs were advocated there—a high tariff, a low tariff, a revenue tariff, and a freetrade tariff. How happy they were in Queensland to be rid of these questions. (Laughter.) The Government was charged with being vague and indefinite, but he could certainly say that it was intended to continue protection to native industries. The defence question was touched upon. The department would pass over to Sir John Forrest on the following day, and Australia would always be ready to do its duty. (Cheers.) Adult suffrage was promised, as was also an arbitration and conciliation bill, dealing with disputes extending beyond one State. The federal capital would be fixed upon as speedily as possible, and various necessary measures would be passed as opportunity offered. Finally he thanked the audience for the reception given to him and the great kindness shown to the representatives of the Federal Ministers in Queensland.

A show of hands was called for, and resulted in a unanimous vote for the Government, and Mr. Barton was loudly cheered on resuming his seat.

Mr. Drake also spoke, and was given a patient hearing, and the proceedings closed with cheers for the Federal Government.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

POLLING PLACES IN QUEENSLAND.

A supplement to the "Commonwealth Gazette" issued yesterday contains a list of additional polling places for electoral divisions of Queensland in connection with the election of Queensland members to serve in the House of Representatives. A list of polling places which have been cancelled is also published.

MR. M'LEAN, M.L.A., AT MARRICKVILLE.

A numerously-attended meeting of the residents of Marrickville was held last evening in the Marrickville Town Hall for the purpose of hearing an address by Mr. F. E. M'Lean, M.L.A., in support of his candidature for the Lang Federal Electorate. The chair was taken by the Mayor of Marrickville (Alderman J. Percy Josephson).

Mr. M'Lean, who was accorded a hearty reception, said that there were certain whisperings about anomies to the Commonwealth Constitution. He, at least, could not be charged with being an enemy of the Constitution, because he accepted it with some imperfections in the belief that it was the best possible compromise that could be effected at the time. But that did not bind him or any other person to an eternal adherence to those principles in the Constitution that might be objectionable from a democratic point of view. At the same time he did not believe there was a movement in this State to do anything to destroy the Constitution. The most important question arising in connection with federal politics must be that touching finance and taxation. Therefore they should lay down sound principles with regard to the raising of public revenue and its expenditure. His objection to protection was that it encouraged extravagant expenditure, and was imposed for the purpose of bolstering up certain industries. (Cheers.) If the Federal Parliament commenced by assuming that it had a duty to bolster up certain industries they would get away from the soundest of all principles, namely, that they were only justified in taxing for the purpose of raising revenue for the legitimate purposes of Government. (Cheers.) The freetrader did not advocate taxation because he expected it would incidentally do anybody good. He imposed it as a necessary evil, in order that sufficient revenue might be raised to carry on the work of Government. (Cheers.) He held that the Braddon Blot, which was a guarantee that the smaller States would not be left without sufficient money to meet their obligations, imposed no legal obligation upon the Federal Parliament to raise either £8,000,000 or any other amount of money through the Customs houses. If they returned a majority of protectionists it was certain they would perpetuate the protectionist policy of the other colonies, and that meant the infliction of a protectionist policy upon New South Wales. But if a majority of freetraders were returned it would be the duty of the latter to call upon the Federal Parliament to raise that amount of money through the Customs that was deemed necessary for the requirements of the Commonwealth and the States. In approaching the framing of a federal tariff they would have to be careful not to depart from principles which would destroy the revenue receipts. They would not do to adopt a system which, whilst establishing vested interests, enriched private individuals at the public expense, and would fail to yield the revenue which was absolutely required for the purposes of the Commonwealth and the States. He thought that it followed that a high protective tariff must inevitably fail to raise the necessary revenue for the wants of the Commonwealth and the States. (Cheers.) It would be a deplorable thing if the protective policy of Victoria were forced upon New South Wales because the latter found that after 30 years of a heavy protective policy the condition of the Victorian factory employees had not improved, whilst it had resulted in a larger number of women and young girls being employed in factories as compared with those employed in New South Wales. (Cheers.) That was not a state of things which should encourage them to adopt a protective policy in New South Wales. (Cheers.) Protection was one of the worst forms of State interference with individuals. They considered their livelihood as they pleased. (Cheers.) The principles of freetrade had proved to be true in the State of New South Wales, and they would prove equally true in the larger sphere of the Commonwealth. 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One of the first duties of the Federal Parliament would be to frame a proper life assurance law for the whole of Australia. He was not enamoured of the idea of entering federal politics, but he came forward with a desire to uphold the principles of freetrade—(cheers)—and to uphold the party which, he was convinced, would be a synonym for the welfare of Australia. (Cheers.) Whether they won or lost, it was their bounden duty to hold aloft the flag of freetrade. (Cheers.)

A vote of confidence in the candidature having been carried amidst cheers, the meeting closed.

MR. S. J. LAW AT THE GLEBE.

Mr. S. J. Law, M.L.A., who is contesting the federal electorate of Dalley, in the interests of the labour party, addressed a large meeting in the Glebe Town Hall last night. Alderman M'Namara occupied the chair.

Mr. Law had a good reception, and after referring to his actions in the State Parliament directly affecting the workers, he referred to the question of the federal capital. He strongly urged the early inauguration of a "white Australia." That, he said, could only be brought about by men going into the Federal Parliament with the determination to accomplish the object and sticking to it until their wishes were realised. Alluding to the proposed transcontinental railway scheme, he said that he was absolutely opposed to it. If that scheme were carried into effect it would mean an annual expense to New South Wales of £60,000, and if elected he would offer a continuous opposition to it. He had read the Parkes-Reid Constitution Bill while it contained the provision of minority rule, and he condemned the Braddon clause, which meant protection for 10 years. He disagreed with Mr. Barton's statement at Ipswich that the great federations of Germany, Canada, and the United States had made immense strides under federation and protection. He thought that America had made such strides because she was the richest country in the world in natural advantages, and was within a few days' sail of all the populous centres of Europe. Notwithstanding all those advantages, England was the greatest country in the world, and while England, Scotland, and Ireland were only slightly larger than Victoria, they maintained a population of over 40,000,000. England had been a freetrade country for over 50 years, yet her people were far more prosperous than they were in any other part of the populated country. (Cheers.) Mr. Law contrasted Victoria with freetrade New South Wales, and said that the total trade of Victoria in 1881 was £32,000,000, in 1899 £38,000,000, an increase of £3,000,000. The trade of New South Wales in 1881 was £34,000,000, and in 1899 £54,000,000, an increase of £20,000,000. (Cheers.) In 1881 Victoria's population was 862,000, and in 1899 1,163,000, an increase of 301,000. In 1881 New South Wales had 751,000 people, and in 1899 1,356,000, an increase of 605,000. (Cheers.) And while New South Wales had 149,000 more males than Victoria, the latter had 11,500 more men over 65 years.

At the conclusion of the address a vote of confidence was proposed by Mr. J. Grant, seconded by Mr. R. H. Kimber, and carried unanimously.

MR. I. R. COHEN AT LEICHHARDT.

Mr. I. R. Cohen, who is a candidate for the representation of the Dalley federal electorate, addressed a large meeting of electors last night at the Town Hall, Leichhardt. The Mayor of Leichhardt (Alderman Trandgold) occupied the chair.

Mr. Cohen, who was received with loud cheers, began his address by referring to adult suffrage, which he said he favoured. Women, he thought, should be welcomed in politics, for the reason that their influence would be in all matters in the direction of sobility and purity. On the subject of trades unions, he said these bodies showed plainly that they were protectionist in their organisation. He referred to the benefits which accrued from the adoption of a moderate protectionist tariff, and quoted statistics to show the present positions of England, America, France, and Germany under their respective policies. He pointed out that while the yearly trade of England reached an enormous amount, that of the United States, which was strongly protective, was quite three times as large, a fact which proved Mulhall's contention of the superiority of the home market. The speaker touched briefly upon compulsory arbitration, which he considered was worthy of adoption, and then spoke of the necessity of locating the federal capital as speedily as possible. He did not believe in maintaining a large permanent military force, but considered that a properly controlled volunteer system would meet all requirements. Mr. Cohen urged the voters to entrust the destiny of the Commonwealth to statesmen whose records were sufficient testimony to their giant intellects, and who had the interests of Australia at heart.

A number of questions were answered by the candidate, and the meeting closed with a vote of confidence, which was proposed by Mr. F. Volk, seconded by Mr. F. Connolly, and supported by Mr. L. Gyeon.

MR. E. M. CLARK AT NORTH SYDNEY.

Mr. E. M. Clark, M.L.A., who is a candidate for the representation of North Sydney in the Federal Parliament, addressed a large meeting of electors at Cranney's Hotel, Blue's Point-road, last evening. The chair was occupied by Alderman T. P. Luter. The candidate, who was well received, explained his views on the main questions of interest, and reiterated his previously expressed opinions. Speaking on the question of the constitution of the Senate, he said he would, if elected, urge an alteration in the constitution regarding representation in the Upper House, and said he was strongly opposed to equal representation in that chamber.

Later in the evening Mr. Clark addressed the electors from the Union Hotel, Lane Cove-road, and had an attentive hearing.

A meeting of the executive committee supporting the candidature of Mr. E. M. Clark was held on Wednesday evening at the rooms, Walker-street. The chair was occupied by Mr. D. Bolloch, and the attendance numbered between 30 and 40. Mr. A. G. Milson was appointed permanent chairman. Other business of a routine nature was transacted.

MR. J. S. T. M'GOWEN, M.L.A., AT ERSKINEVILLE.

Mr. J. S. T. M'Gowen, M.L.A., addressed a large meeting of the electors of South Sydney at Erskineville last night in connection with his candidature for the House of Representatives. Mr. R. Hollis presided.

Mr. M'Gowen, who was well received, detailed the reasons why he had been induced to enter the Federal Parliamentary fight, and seek the suffrages of the electors of South Sydney. The prime reasons was that he considered the labour party was in danger of extinction. The labour party had done good work in the State, and the masses should see that the party was properly represented in the Federal Parliament. The labour party fairly represented the masses and not a class, and the legislation it had been instrumental in effecting was for the benefit of the masses, and therefore the people. He instanced as particularly the work of the labour party the adoption of manhood suffrage, the referendum, the Early Closing Act, day labour in lieu of the contract system, and other matters. He was convinced that the leaders of the two great parties were now endeavouring to obscure the issues at stake in the Commonwealth by raising the cry of freetrade or protection, and ignoring the existence of the labour party and those whom they represented, and he counselled the electors to awaken to a sense of the wrong that was being perpetrated. He had come from the ranks of the workers, had worked ten years in their interests and intended to remain their champion without the aid of the freetrade leaders. The third party had justified its existence, and should not be extinguished. He had opposed the bill which had become the Constitution of Australia because he foresaw the dangers which it might create, and he would use his influence if elected to secure radical amendments in the constitution. All well-wishers of the Commonwealth would need to do the same. The Commonwealth could not survive when one value was given to the vote of the citizens of the most important States and four times that value to the vote of the citizen of the least important. He would not support man but measures, as had been the custom of the labour party. When Mr. Reid had thrown the Local Government Bill under the table of the House he (Mr. Reid) had given unmistakable evidence that he was sympathetic to municipal government. The freetrader did not advocate taxation because he expected it would incidentally do anybody good. He imposed it as a necessary evil, in order that sufficient revenue might be raised to carry on the work of Government. (Cheers.) He held that the Braddon Blot, which was a guarantee that the smaller States would not be left without sufficient money to meet their obligations, imposed no legal obligation upon the Federal Parliament to raise either £8,000,000 or any other amount of money through the Customs houses. 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MR. S. A. ROSA AT LEICHHARDT.

Mr. S. A. Rosa, a candidate for the Federal Senate, addressed a large meeting of the electors from Parry's Hotel balcony, Norton-street, on Wednesday night. The Mayor of Leichhardt (Alderman J. P. Treadgold) presided. The candidate received a good hearing. He declared himself a democratic freetrader. He considered that revenue should be raised by the taxation of improved lands. He was opposed to the taxation of unimproved lands. As I have already said, mainly steady progress based on the mutual help of masters and men, avoiding industrial strife and consequent disorganisation of trade and money. Next we have to look to the development of industries—more especially those of iron and steel. Every ton of pig iron means the consumption of three tons of coal. Again, the opening of new countries—a process which is going on space, thanks largely to British enterprise—leads to increase the markets for coal. The federation of Australia, it is also expected will lead to the development of manufactures at our own doors, and consequently to the increase of local consumption. Thus, notwithstanding the fact that our mines may have great advantages derived from their practically unlimited supplies, from cheapness of production, cheap railway freights, the use of electrical motive power, the best railway and terminal facilities, the use of specially-designed steamers for ocean transport, we have no reason to fear for the future; our prosperity depends largely upon ourselves. Further, while the market is fighting on our side. What coal has advanced 3s per ton, freights have fallen 7s 6d to 10s. Whilst there are vessels in port, chartered in contention had reached the respectable total of nearly 2½ million acres. The grand diploma of honour granted to the New South Wales Government by the Commissioners for the exhibition in London was the value of New South Wales wheats. Of the 16 samples exhibited a portion came from Tamworth, Quirindi, and Scone. Among the matters which the Commissioners brought under the notice of the authorities is the necessity for providing facilities for the shipment of wheat at Newcastle. The farmers of the north now send their grain 180 miles beyond the port by railway. The near South harbour extension, in addition to providing wharfage for six travelling cranes for coal loading, has a frontage of 2000ft., which it is hoped will be reserved as a wharfage for the shipment of wool, frozen meat, wheat, &c. Many works advocated by the chamber have, thanks to the Government, been carried out, other have been completed or are in progress, such as the Quarantine station, harbour and wharf improvements, and the new post office; that important work, the Narrabri-Walgett Railway, is now being pushed forward, and the question of wharfages extension and other matters are receiving the close attention of your committees, who are very confident that all will be satisfactorily settled in the hands of the Government. At this our first meeting in the new century, it is not out of place to ask what shall be the note of the new era. Assuredly the whole of the world is before—shall I say the new power of the Pacific strike the chord which shall vibrate throughout the ages? It seems like enough, for the unity of the Empire which has been hoped forward, and practically, but the final was not made public locally until yesterday. The discovery is described by the management as simply a bore hole development. About three weeks ago a rich telluride vein was cut in the north drive of No. 2 level.

THE WEATHER.

BOURKE, Thursday.

The temperature to-day was a few degrees lower, but there are no indications of rain. Divers' reports are as follows:—Mungindi, 10ft. 6in. falling; Talwood, 9ft. 2in. stationary; Mogil, Lower Walgett, Barwon, 11ft. 2in.; Neranbri, 3ft. 2in. stationary; Brewarrina, low; Bourke, 5ft. 8in. falling; Louth, low; Wilcannia, 9in. stationary; Tilpa, low.

KIAMA, Thursday.

The rainfall at Kiama during February was only 91 points, which is the lowest for that month for 16 years. The average February rainfall during the period mentioned has been 529 points.

MOUNT VICTORIA, Thursday.

The rainfall for February was 140 points, making since the beginning of the year 602 points. The temperature during the month ranged from 42° to 94°.

MELBOURNE SPORTING.

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After galloping with Scorbird at Flemington this morning Verse pulled up lame, and the Bill of Portland Filly may not, it is feared, be fit to start in the Newmarket Handicap. Torquin, after a short spell, is in easy work again at Caulfield. The Newmarket Handicap candidate, Watchdog, ran a very talking trial over the Flemington course this morning. Sonsford was ridden and handled with judgment by Jack Watts, who was also in the saddle when Maris Conelli, but the latter spurted a couple of furlongs in good style. Among other horses to go well were Maister and La Carabine, while a very exciting flash was witnessed at the end of 2-mile gallop between The Bride and Dreamland. Man of Honor and Seaport shaped well at Newmarket horses did interesting gallops. Advance, after the gallop

WESLEYAN CONFERENCE

MINISTERIAL SESSION.

The ministerial sessions of the Wesleyan Conference were continued yesterday.

The President took the chair at 10.30 a.m., and proceedings were opened with devotional exercises.

The daily record was read and confirmed.

The conference then devoted some time to the consideration of vacancies in the mission field, and after discussion it was resolved on the motion of the ex-President (the Rev. W. H. Beale) that each conference in the Commonwealth be asked what ministers were available for foreign mission work, such information to be accompanied with advice as to the fitness of such men for that particular work. It was also resolved that the Rev. W. C. Bennett, B.A., of the Victor an Conference, be appointed to work in the mission field under the Board of Missions. The question of the appointment of the Rev. J. A. Walsh to mission work was deferred until the other conferences are heard from.

The conference proceeded with the further consideration of the candidates for the ministry, when James Thomson and Wallace Dean, of the Bathurst district, were accepted, the remaining cases being deferred till the next session. The conference adjourned at 12.30 p.m.

REPRESENTATIVE SESSION.

The conference met at 3 o'clock, when the President again presided. The daily record was read and confirmed. Several notices of motion dealing with a variety of subjects were handed in.

In reply to a question of the previous sitting, put by Mr. R. H. Ducker, the President stated that no minister in connection with the Wesleyan Church in this State had celebrated any marriages for the last two years in connection with the marriage bureaux of this city.

METHODIST UNION.

The Rev. W. Woolie Rutledge presented the annual report of the Methodist Federal Council to the conferences of 1901 of the Wesleyan Methodist, Primitive Methodist, and United Methodist Free Churches. The report was received. Mr. Rutledge then moved the following resolution, of which he had given notice:—"Whereas the conference of 1900 declared its readiness to take the necessary steps to effect the organic union of the various Methodist Churches in 1902, contingent upon the conferences of the Primitive Methodist and United Methodist Free Churches taking a vote upon the question of organic union being effected at an early date, such votes to show a substantial majority in favour of union; and whereas the results of such votes as set forth in the report of the federal council show a substantial majority in favour in each case; this conference now hereby agrees to enter into organic union with the Primitive Methodist Church and the United Methodist Free Churches in New South Wales as one Church, with a common name, common fundamental principles, and equal rights." The conference also hereby approves and accepts as the basis of such organic union the plan of union submitted to this conference by the Methodist Federal Council set forth in the report submitted." Mr. Rutledge said that the time of strife was now past, and the union was give effect to the compact entered into by the conference of 1900. One could not but look back upon the history of the movement. Following upon the resolution of the last conference, the question had been voted upon by the Primitive Methodist body. The Primitive Methodist vote was a very divided one in favour of union, as was also that of the United Methodist Church. The decision of the former had been loyally accepted by all sides. He did not think there was need of argument for his resolution, for the votes had been taken and were all in a substantial majority for union. In other conferences similar resolutions had been carried, and he trusted they would be the same position as Victoria by the 1st of January, 1902. They should ask for God's abundant blessing to rest upon the Union. The enthusiasm of federation was an example as to the way a which Methodist union had been entered into. He had great pleasure in moving the resolution.

The Rev. W. Clarke rose to second the resolution. He was not a "railer," for that was an undignified and insecure position. His opinion and conviction with regard to organic union had not changed. Yet he believed in unity, and he believed that there was nothing so important for the Church as internal peace. At the Adelaide conference, when the basis of union was agreed upon, he moved that the majority should be three-fourths for union, but this was afterwards altered to two-thirds. He was a lover of peace of spiritual life, and a Church without his was a loathsome carcase. He, therefore, fully went with the movement of Methodist Union for the sake of peace. He believed that there must be peace, as it was essential to the existence of the Church. He would therefore do all that he could to promote and foster peace. He had sat during the year on the federal council, and he realised that the Primitive Methodists and the Wesleyans were "brethren."

The Rev. T. Bellars said he would vote for the organic union in 1902. He had not changed his opinion about union, but he deprecated any cleavage in the ranks of their country on the question. Union had not turned out in the other States as expected, and when they had taken place he knew that New Zealand and elsewhere it could not be said that union was the success that had been anticipated. His own conviction was that remaining as they were, cultivating the friendly spirit and interchanging pulpits, they were doing as much for the advancement of the Methodist Church as was now proposed by the resolution. He was sure that each branch of the Methodist Church was doing its work successfully, and more so than would be the case as a united body.

The Rev B. J. Mead believed that Dr. Bellars had changed his opinion before, and he hoped he would do so again. He still disbelieved in organic union, but at the same time he was going to vote for the resolution because he believe that it would lead to real union eventually. Time would settle the difficulties that would appear at first.

The Rev. R. Bavin said he intended to support the resolution. They could not afford to foster contention. He did not suppose they would get union without making some sacrifices. He trusted that the time had come when they would pull together as one common aim and object, and look to the spiritual aspect of their work. If he did not think that as a united Church they would be stronger he would not hold up his hand for the resolution. The main thing was for a widespread revival to accompany the union.

The Rev. E. J. Rodd had seriously thought as to what his attitude would be. He wanted to take up a position that would do justice to his intellect and his heart. He had come to the conclusion that any opposition on his part would be useless, and he would not vote for it. The vote of last conference had ended his opposition, but it did not bring him into agreement.

The Rev. J. Woolnough thought they were asked to do a serious thing to pass a resolution before the difficulties that were in the way were fairly and squarely met. There were some serious financial questions to be settled, and they were asked to pass the resolution without asking for what would be the consequences of it. If the resolution were carried they were committing themselves to they knew not what. At present he could not vote for the resolution, but he could not vote against it. It was an unfair advantage to move such a committal resolution before the facts were discussed.

The Rev. W. H. Pincombe was going to vote cordially for the resolution. He could not commend the action of Mr. Clarke and Mr. Woolnough on the matter.

The Rev. J. E. Carruthers thought they should take heed to the warnings that had been given. The resolution at last conference had not committed them to everything. There were difficulties in the way, but he believed that these could be faced and settled, and this should as far as possible be a union on fair and equal terms. On the question itself there had been opposition to the principle of organic union, but he was quite sure that all respected those who held such views. He believed that those of the people who were in opposition would eventually be in harmony. The people of the Union would be united and would come into the union because they felt they had a on instrumental in bringing it about. The results would be very much what they made them. If they went into union in a mechanical way little good would be done, but if they accepted it in an earnest sport victory would attend them. The union movement was the movement of the day. Other churches were adopting it. He would support the resolution.

The Rev. J. A. Nolan said he was sick at heart of the whole thing. He strongly objected to the view that because a majority had believed that there was nothing so important for the Church as internal peace. At the Adelaide conference, when the basis of union was agreed upon, he moved that the majority should be three-fourths for union, but this was afterwards altered to two-thirds. He was a lover of peace of spiritual life, and a Church without his was a loathsome carcase. He, therefore, fully went with the movement of Methodist Union for the sake of peace. He believed that there must be peace, as it was essential to the existence of the Church. He would therefore do all that he could to promote and foster peace. He had sat during the year on the federal council, and he realised that the Primitive Methodists and the Wesleyans were "brethren."

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FYANDER'S WIDOW.

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PART I.—THE SLEEPING BEAUTY.

CHAPTER XI.—Continued.

Follow a shadow, it still flies you,
Seem to fly, it will pursue:
So court a mistress, she denies you;
Let her alone she will court you.
Say, are not women truly, then,
Styled but the shadows of us men!
—Ben Jonson.

Who by resolves sad vows engrav'd does stand
For days that yet belong to Fate,
Does, like an anthrift, mortgage his estate
Before it falls into his hand.—Abraham Cowley.

"Whom would you choose, then?" cried she. "Wilson, to drink, and race away my husband's hard-earned money? Andrew Burge, perhaps, whom you drove out of this house with your own hands? Or that little ferret-faced Samuel Cross—he'd know how to manage a dairy farm, wouldn't he? You'd like to see him strutting about, and giving orders here? I tell you what it is, Isaac Sharpe, if you have no respect for dear Lias's memory, you should be glad that I have."

"Who says I haven't respect for 'Lias's memory?" thundered Isaac, now almost goaded into a fury. "I've known 'en a deal longer now you have, Widow Fyander, and there's no one in this world as thought more on him. All I says is—I hain't a marryin' man—'Lias knowed I weren't never a marrying man. I don't believe," added Isaac, with an emphatic thump on the the table, "I don't believe as if 'Lias were alive he'd expect it of me."

"But he's dead, you see," returned Rosalie with a sudden pathetic change of tone—"he's dead, and that is why everything is going wrong. I shouldn't think of making a change myself if I didn't feel it was the only thing to do. You loved Elias; you knew his ways; you would carry on the work just as he used to do—it wouldn't be like putting a stranger in his place. I wouldn't do it if I could help it," she added, sobbing; "but I think we—we should both try to do our duty by Elias."

Isaac, visibly moved, rolled his eyes towards her and heaved a mighty sigh.

"Of course, if you put it that way," he began; and then his courage failed him, and he became once more mute.

"It wouldn't be such a bad thing for you, Mr. Sharpe," went on Rosalie faintly. "'Tis a very fine farm, and a good business. It would be convenient for you to work the two farms together. You'd have quite a large property—and this is a very comfortable house."

"Ah," agreed Isaac, "'tis a good house, but I haven't no need for two houses. I'm content wi' the one where I were born."

"Oh, but that won't do at all," cried Rosalie with sudden animation; "you would have to live here—the object of my marrying you would be that you should live here."

"I've a-lived in my own house ever sin' I were born," said the farmer obstinately, "and when a man weds he takes his wife to live wi' him."

"Not when the wife has got the best house of the two," retorted Mrs. Fyander.

"A man can't live in two houses," asserted Isaac; adding, after a pause: "What would ye have me to do with mine, then?"

"You could put your head-man to live in it," returned she, "paying you rent, of course. Or you could let it to somebody else—you would make money in that way."

One by one Isaac's entrenchments were being carried; no resource remained open to him but to capitulate or to take flight. He chose the latter alternative.

"'Tis not a thing as a body can make up his mind to in a hurry," he said. "I must think it over, Mrs. Fyander."

Then before she could make the sharp retort which had risen to her lips he had darted to the door.

As it closed behind him Rosalie sprang to her feet, and began to pace hastily about the room. What had she done? She had actually,in so many words made an offer of marriage to Isaac Sharpe—and she was not quite sure of being accepted! There was the rub! Elias was an old man, yet he had wooed her, in her homeless, penniless condition, with a certain amount of ardour. In her widowhood she had been courted, doubtless as much on account of her wealth as of her beauty, but certainly with no lack of eagerness. And now, when she had turned with affectionate confidence to this old friend, and practically laid herself, her good looks, and good fortune at his feet, he had promised unwillingly to think it over. It was not to be endured—she would send him to the right-about on his return, let his decision be what it might. But then came the sickening remembrance of the failures and humiliations which had attended her unassisted enterprises; the importunities of distasteful suitors—worst of all, the confident leer on Sam Belbin's face. Great Heavens! What a miserable fate was hers! She dared not so much as trust a servant but he must needs try to take advantage of her unprotected condition.

The lamp was lit and tea set forth, but Rosalie left it untasted upon the table. She was still pacing restlessly about the room when Isaac walked in; this time without any preliminary knock.

He closed the door behind him and advanced towards the young woman, his face wearing a benign if somewhat sheepish smile.

"I be come to tell you," he said, "as I've come round to the notion."

He paused, beaming down at her with the air of a man who was making an indubitably pleasant announcement; and Rosalie, who was gifted with a very genuine sense of humour, could not for the life of her help laughing.

"'Tes, I repeated Isaac valiantly. "I've a-comed round to the notion. I was al'ays a bit shy o' matrimony, by reason o' the cat-and-dog life as my mother and father did lead; but I d' 'low as I've no need to be fearful about you. You've made different, my dear: and you've been a good wife to 'Lias. What's more," he went on cheerfully, "as I was a-thinking' to myself, 'tisn't same as if I was to go and put myself in the wrong box, so to speak, by beggin' and prayin' of ye to have me; then ye mid very well cast up at me some day if I wasn't satisfied wi' the bargain. But when a young woman comes and axes a man as a favour to marry her it be a different story, bain't it?"

Rosalie stopped laughing and glanced at him indignantly.

"If that's the way in which you look at it, Mr. Sharpe," she said, "I think we had better give up the idea. How dare you,—" she burst out suddenly—"how dare you tell me to my face that I asked you as a favour? I am not the kind of person to pray and beseech you. You know as well as I do that other people are ready to fall on their knees if I but hold up a finger."

"Ah, a good few of them are," agreed Isaac dispassionately; "but ye don't want 'em, ye see. Well, and at the first go off, when I was took by surprise, so to speak, I thought I didn't want you. Not as I've any personal objections to you," he added handsomely, "but because I never reckoned on changing my state. But now, as I've a-thought it over, I'm agreeable, my dear."

Rosalie remained silent, her eyes downcast, her hands nervously clasping and unclasping each other.

"I'm willin'," he went on, "to do my dooty by 'Lias and my dooty by you, Rosalie. You've been a good wife to he, and ye'll be the same to me, I've no doubt."

He paused, passing his hand meditatively over his grizzled locks, and probably comforting himself with the reflection that in this case at least there would be no need to supply himself with such a box as that so often dolefully shown to him by his father.

"I want to do my duty by Elias," said the poor young widow at last, in a choked voice, "but I don't want you to sacrifice yourself, since you feel it is a sacrifice. If you hate me so much don't marry me, Isaac," she added passionately.

"Lard, my dear, who ever said I hated 'ee? Far from it! I do like 'ee very much; I've liked 'ee from the first. 'Lias knowed I liked 'ee. Say no more about a sacrifice; it hain't no sacrifice to speak on. I was real upset to see how bad you was a-gettin' on, an' it'll be a comfort to think as I can look arter you, and look arter the place. You and me was always the best o' friends, and we'll go on both o' the best o' friends when we are man and wife. I can't say no fairer than that."

He stretched out his large brown palm, and Rosalie laid her cold fingers in it, and the compact was concluded by a silent handshake.

Then Isaac, who was a practical man, pointed out to Rosalie that her tea was growing cold, and remarked placidly that he would smoke a bit of a pipe by the fire while she partook of it.

As she approached the table and began tremulously to fill her cup he drew forward a chair and sat down.

Rosalie glanced round at him and started; the new era had already begun. Isaac was sitting in Elias' chair!

(To be continued

LAW REPORT.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28.

BANCO COURT.

(Before the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Owen, and Mr. Justice Simpson.)

ACTION FOR TRESPASS ON LAND. AN IMPORTANT DECISION.

Wynne v. Green (part heard.)

Mr R. E. O'Connor, K.C., and Mr. Canaway, instructed by Messrs. Pigott and Stinson (agents for Mr. C. H. Fitzgerald, of Dubbo), appeared on behalf of the defendant in support of an application to make absolute a rule nisi for a new trial. Mr. J. L. Campbell and Mr. Pike, instructed by Messrs. Minter, Simpson, and Co., for the plaintiff to oppose the application. The action, which was tried before Mr. Justice Stephen and a jury of four in August last, was brought by Eugene Spencer Wynne against Joseph Green, jun., to recover compensation for alleged trespass on land consisting of a conditional purchase and conditional lease, situated on the Wallangambone run. The defendant denied that the plaintiff was in possession of the land at the time of the trespass complained of. It appeared that defendant Green was in possession of the land in question under an occupation license, and while he was in such occupation plaintiff applied for the land in part as a conditional purchase, and the rest of it as a conditional lease. Plaintiff's application was made on July 19, 1897, at which time defendant was in possession and had sheep running on the land, and he remained in possession until November 27, 1897. The plaintiff's application was confirmed on April 1, 1898, and the period of the defendant's alleged trespass was between July 19 and November 27, 1897. The question of law involved was whether defendant, who was in occupation by virtue of an occupation license, and who paid rent, became a trespasser from the date of plaintiff's application, which was subsequently confirmed. The jury returned a verdict for plaintiff, with damages £70, but leave was reserved to the defendant to appeal to the Full Court on a point of law based upon the construction of section 12 of the Crown Lands Act of 1889 (53 Vic. No. 21). It was now sought to have the verdict set aside and a new trial granted on the following grounds:—1. That his Honor ought to have directed the jury that the occupation for grazing purposes of land which had been applied for as a conditional purchase or conditional lease, such occupation being under and by virtue of a previously existing occupation license for the said land and ceasing before the confirmation of the application for the conditional purchase or conditional lease, is not a trespass actionable at the suit of the maker of the said application upon the latter having subsequently confirmed, and that his Honor ought accordingly to have directed the jury to return a verdict for the defendant. 2. That his Honor ought to have directed the jury that, inasmuch as there were conflicting applications for the land in question, the holder of the occupation license for the land was entitled to occupy the same for grazing purposes until one of the applications had been confirmed, and that his Honor ought accordingly to have directed a verdict for defendant. 3. That under the circumstances of this case there was no evidence of possession sufficient to enable the plaintiff to maintain an action of trespass against the defendant, and his Honor ought to have directed the jury accordingly.

Argument on the point involved was resumed this morning and concluded.

The Chief Justice said that the defendant, notwithstanding the application by the conditional purchaser of July 19, 1897, remained in possession of the land by virtue of his occupation license up to November 27 of that year, and was entitled to remain in it. The application of plaintiff for the conditional purchase came before the Local Land Board on April 1, 1898, and on that date it was confirmed. Plaintiff then complained that defendant had depastured sheep on the land, and had done considerable amount of injury, and on the subsequent action which he brought against defendant the jury awarded him damages. A rule nisi for a new trial was afterwards granted on the ground that no such action would lie for a trespass between the date of the application and of confirmation; in other words, that the occupation licensee had a right to be upon the land during the period stated and to depasture his stock upon it if he saw fit. The case no doubt presented considerable difficulty because there were certain results which might flow from the decision which the Court was about to give. It certainly struck one as being very strange that one of the results should be that where an occupation licensee occupied land, and an application for that land was confirmed, he became liable to an action for anything done by him on the land from the date of the application, and that if the application was not confirmed he was not liable to any action. That was the contingency he was subject to, but if that result flowed from the construction the Court placed upon the Act of Parliament, it could be remedied by the Legislature if it saw fit. This occupation license was upon what was known as the resumed area. It was an annual license, but in point of fact any portion of it might be taken up from week to week, and the person holding under such a tenure knew that the rent demanded of him was commensurate with the risk he took, and he knew that at any date application for possession of the land in the resumed area might be made. Whatever consequences might accrue from the decision of the Court, it appeared to him to be perfectly clear that the moment the application was made for a conditional purchase or conditional lease, that application withdrew the land described in the application for the annual lease or occupation license, and the moment that withdrawal took place the annual lessee or occupation licensee had no more right to be upon the land than the public, and he could have to be upon land 1000 miles away from him. It was removed from him altogether, unless it reverted to him under other conditions of the statute, and he had no possible claim to the land in any possible shape or form. There was no doubt that the words "if valid" in the 12th section of the Act of 1889 had given rise to the difficulty, and one wondered why they were placed there at all, because looking at the sections immediately following it was clear that the title to the conditional purchase could only date from the date of application after the application was allowed, and therefore it was unnecessary to have the words "if valid" in the section. If the application was not confirmed there would be no title in the applicant. The words of the section were—"The title to which any conditional purchase or conditional or homestead lease applied for after the commencement of this Act shall commence from the date of application therefor, if valid," and those words taken in connection with the 13th section clearly meant confirmation. Then the 12th section dealt with the application upon the latter being

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

Thursday Evening.

There was no very marked feature on the Stock Exchange to-day, the amount of business passing being small, and the movements but slight and irregular. City Bank were 2s higher, and Bank of New South Wales also were slightly dearer, Commercial selling at yesterday's price. Australian Joint Stock Bank "A" deposits improved a trifle. Steam Insurance and Gaslight were unchanged. Tooth's Brewery declined 4½d, selling at 25s. Fresh Food and Ice were sold at the reduced price of 13s 6d, the other movements being without significance.

The following sales were reported on the Sydney Stock Exchange to-day:—Forenoon: Australian Gaslight, 17½; Commercial Bank of Sydney, 31. Noon: A.J.S. Bank "A" deposits, 14s 1½d; Tooth's Brewery, 28s. Afternoon: New South Wales Fresh Food and Ice Company, 13s 6d. The closing quotations were:—

Company.	Capital paid up.	Amount of Shares.	Shares paid up.	Last Div. per annum.	Prices Last Sale.	Buyers.	Sellers.	Yield to Investor.
	£	£	£	p.c.				r.c.
F.STOCK, &c.								
N.S.W. F. S.								
1875	349,350	...	...	4	105	...	106	3s
Do. A., 1879	350,180	...	...	4	...	...	...	3
Do. 5 p.c.	...	...	...	5	98	...	98	5
Ditto, 1894-5	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	3
Ditto T. Bills, 1900	1,000,000	...	...	3½	101	99s	101	3s
Do. Deb. 1902	399,300	...	...	5	101½	101	102	4
Do. Deb. 1901	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Qland 1c. 1915	...	...	...	4	104½	...	...	3s
N.E. D., 1913	200,000	...	...	4	107½	...	...	3s
Colonial Sugar Co.—D., 1914	...	...	...	5	114½	110	...	3s
BANKS.								
Aust. J.S.	1,169,041	10	7½	...	2/3	...	2/4	...
Australasia	1,600,000	40	40	8	...	77½	81	4½
City	240,000	10	8	4	...	97	99	7½
New Issue	160,000	10	8	4	...	84	...	...
Com. of A., £5 10s paid	1,197,440	6	...	...	...	10	...	...
Do. pref.	2,117,020	10	10	3	7	6¾	6¾	4½
Commercial of Sydney	1,000,000	20	13½	10	31	30½	31½	4
N. of Aust. or.	1,498,220	8	5	3	7½	6¾	...	4
Ditto, pref.	336,780	10	10	5	11½	11	...	4½
N. S. Wales	2,000,000	20	20	10	44	44	44½	4½
New Zealand	500,000	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
N'th Q'sland	100,000	7	2	2½	13	...	...	7
Q'land Nat.	417,841	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bank of Q'land	366,400	5	5	3½	8½	56 6	70	4½
Union	1,500,000	75	15	7	37½	37½	38½	4½
DEPOSITS.								
A.J.S. Bank—								
Class A	...	...	...	3	14½	14½	14½	4½
Class B	...	...	...	3	13½	13½	13½	4½
Ditto Assc.	720,000	...	...	3½	10 4	9 6	9 10	7
Com. of Aus.								
A ser., 1888	988,482	...	...	3½	19 6	...	19 6	3½
Ditto assets	5,000,000	...	...	3	10/	15 6	...	3s
E.S.A. series	...	...	...	...	14 9	15 6	...	...
Inscr. pref.	988,410	...	...	3	14 3	14 6	14 9	4½
Do. def.	988,410	...	...	3	14 0	14 6	17 6	7½
Ditto Deb.	883,547	...	...	4	19/	18 6	19 3	4½
Ditto Ter.	221,732	...	...	4	20/	19 6	...	4
G. Nat.	...	...	...	3½	14 3	...	...	4
STEAM.								
Bal. S. Ferry	16,400	1	1	10	36/	35/	40/	...
Illawarra	56,000	5	5	8½	80	...	82	...
Newcastle	100,000	1	1	5	18 9	18 6	19 6	...
N'th Coast	211,250	25	17	7	35	34 6	35 9	...
Syd. Ferries	120,000	1	1	7	33/3	33	33/6	...
Port Jackson	26,000	25	...	20	20/	20/9	...	...
Ditto Deben.	9,368	...	...	3	17/	14	...	...
INSURANCE.								
A. M. Fire	37,500	1	7 6	18	31 6	31 6	...	4½
Mer. Mutual	30,000	1	1	10	11/9	11/6	11/9	4½
New Zealand	500,000	10	7	15	70	...	...	...
N. Q'land	50,000	1	10	1	15	4½	...	4½
Ditto	3,437	...	...	5	40	...	...	...
United	62,500	10	2½	10	73/	72 6	75	6½
Ditto, new	5,725	10	12½	10	16/	14 6	16/	...
GAS.								
Albury	7,500	1	12 6	10	18	18 6	...	...
Australian	691,700	6	6	8	17½	17½	17½	5
C. Town'ds	100,000	10	10	10	27½	...	...	...
Goulburn	10,000	1	15	5	45	44	46	6½
Grafton	8,000	1	1	8	22 9	...	...	...
Kalgoorlie	50,000	1	1	7½	24	...	25	6½
Ditto, New	5,000	1	10	7	...	...	42 6	...
Mudgee	8,000	1	1	6	17	16 9	...	...
Newcastle,	25,128	2	2	5	14	13 6	...	...
Ditto, North Shore	100,000	1	1	7	29	27 6	29	4½
Ditto, 5 p.c.	...	5	5	...	10 6	...	11/	...
Rutland Gas	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...
BREWERIES								
Albury	10,000	10	10	5	6 9	...	...	7½
Ditto	4,000	1	1	5	...	...	...	...
Australian	80,000	1	1	...	3/9	3/	3/6	...
C. and Wood Brew.	250,000	1	1	4	12	12/	12/3	6½
Mar-hall's	29,707	10	5	6	4 6	4	4½	6½
Perkins's	50,000	1	1	7½	17	16 6	...	...
Tooth's	800,000	1	1	7	28	27 10½	28	5
MISCELLANEOUS								
Aarons'	17,500	15	10/	...	3/3	3/	4	...
Aus. News	40,000	1	1	5	16 6	16 3	17	6½
B. H. Wat. Sup.	140,000	10	10	10	27 6	27	27 6	9½
Burns, Philp	275,000	...	...	5	37	35	37	4½
New Issue	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cal. Sugar	1,677,920	2	2	10	2½	2	4½	5
Colgate Co.	1,000,000	2½	5	8	5½	5½	6	7
Emu B. Rail.	100,000	1	1	5	2	1/	...	...
Emu Gravel	34,000	1	1	5	12/3	12/	...	...
Mail Co. (up to Ditto, con.	80,000	1	10	10	23 6	23 6	24 6	4½
Mel. Trans.	74,144	1	1	7½	25 6	26 3	26 9	7½
Mort's Dock	150,000	1	1	6	21	...	...	6½
Ditto Pref.	45,501	1	1	6	22	21 6	22 6	6½
N. Zeal. Ins.	1,000,000	1	1	15	5	4 9	5	6½
Shale and Oil	75,000	1	15	5	4 3	5	...	...
New York and N. Trk.	18,000	1	1	10	22/	21 3	22 6	...
Perm. Trustee	25,000	1	2 6	5	2/	2/	2 1	...
Perpet. Trust.	25,000	1	5	8	9/	9/	9 6	4½
Richardson & Wrench	80,000	1	1	5	...	...	13 9	...
Sil. Trn.	197,500	1	1	40	98 6	97 6	98 6	8
Syd. Tram.	300,000	1	1	5	12	11 6	...	4½
Syd. Hydr.	75,000	1	1	10	47	46	48	...
Ditto	37,500	1	10	10	27 3	26	27	...
Vol. Land Ord.	...	...	...	...	...	...	2/	...
LAND & BD.								
Aus. Estates	...	...	...	...	...	...	6d	...
Electoral Inv.	...	...	...	...	...	...	7/3	7
Fed. B. Dep.	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	...
Maymark's D.	...	...	...	12	5	12 6	...	...
Ditto shares	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ind. Prov.	60,250	20	20	...	6	20	19	...
Interod. Inv.	33,998	1	15	...	7	14	14	...
Pr. Fre. Land	...	...	...	...	...	3/9	4/	...
Syd. & S. Dep.	...	...	...	...	...	10	6	7 9
Neale Build.	...	...	...	...	...	...	110	...

* Where dividends are interim the yield is based on year's distribution; otherwise on the last half-yearly one.

On the London Stock Exchange on January 25 Australian bank deposits were quoted as follows:—

Australian Joint Stock Bank, "A" series, buyer 13s, seller 13s 6d—"B" series, buyer 12s 6d, seller 13s; Commercial Bank of Australia, "A" series, buyer 18s 6d, seller 19s 6d; Commercial Bank of Australia, 6 per cent., £18 fully paid, buyer £5 15s, seller £6; ditto, Special Assets Trust Company, limited, deposits receipt, buyer 19s 6d, seller 20s 6d; English, Scottish, and Australian Bank Treasury Deposits, buyer 19s, seller 20s 6d; Inscribed Stock, 6d., buyer 13s 6d; Debentures, 6 per cent., buyer 7s 6d; London Bank of Australia Deposits, buyer 19s 6d, seller 20s 6d; Queensland National Bank Inscribed Stock, buyer 13s 6d, seller 14s; Royal Bank of Queensland deposits 4½ per cent., buyer 17s 6d, seller 18s 6d; 3 and 4 per cent., buyer 15s 6d, seller 16s 6d.

Inquiries from Melbourne regarding banking matters on behalf of the Commonwealth Government have caused some talk of federal banking policy. The opinion is expressed here that there ought to be no improper concentration of banking operations in Melbourne, but that the accounts of the departments in the respective States should be dealt with in the general interests, in Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, or other centre. In Sydney there was a well-grounded feeling that in former years Australasian banking was too largely dominated from the Victorian capital. Even since the banking figures of New South Wales have overpassed those of Victoria within the past decade, extreme efforts have been made to prevent the controlling movement from following in its proper place in the most important centre, to some extent successfully, and it is not unnaturally thought that the temporary centring of Federal Government in Melbourne may further that obstruction, and postpone the time when Sydney with an annual foreign trade of £43,233,000, as compared with £32,292,000 possessed by Melbourne, shall have the financial as well as the commercial supremacy. Of course well-rooted interests, banking or any other, are not easily moved, even though the commercial and political requirements show the propriety, we may say the necessity, for the change, and it is to be hoped the Federal Government will not lend itself in any way to unduly arrest the trend of the movement which is establishing Sydney in the pre-eminent place financially.

The following is a return of the export of gold and silver from Sydney during the first two months of the current year in comparison with the same periods of the previous two years:—

Month.	Gold. Coin.	Gold. Uncoined.	Silver.
January ...	£127,311	£9,968	£20,947
February (...	126,008	11,706	38,106
Total ...	£253,319	£21,674	£59,053
1900	£123,011	£3,185	£71,889
1899	73,580	8,300	19,210

The Yawata Maru takes gold to the value of £9613, shipped by Chinese by Hongkong.

The past month's Customs collections at Sydney amounted to £135,237, an increase of £21,513 as compared with those of February last year. A comparison of the figures for the past eight months with those of the corresponding periods of the previous year is shown as follows:—

Months.	1899.	1900.	Increase
July	£140,272	£144,993	£4,416
August	137,868	145,269	7,401
September ...	117,767	129,519	11,752
October	132,194	137,193	5,099
November ...	131,758	144,492	12,734
December ...	143,809	155,307	11,504
1900.		1901.	
January	£133,356	£134,205	£831
February	113,725	135,238	21,513
Totals ...	£1,050,654	£1,125,841	£75,183

For the first eight months of the fiscal year there has been an increase of £75,183, or 7·1 per cent. The improvement has been apparent every month. The increase of January was but a small one, explained doubtless by the extra holidays, but the February return has made good the shortage.

The fourth half-yearly meeting of Mort's Dock and Engineering Company was held to-day. The report showed a net profit of £11,743, which with previous balance of £1149 gave a total of £12,892, which it is proposed to distribute as follows:—To payment of a dividend at 6 per cent. per annum on preference shares, £1500; on ordinary shares, £4500; to write off plant and machinery, £3250; to add to reserve, £2500; leaving a balance of £1142 to be carried forward. At the new graving dock at Woolwich, good progress had been made since the cancellation of the contract, and it is confidently anticipated that the dock, with the necessary adjuncts will be completed and in active service within the next few months. The work in connection with lengthening the new dock is also proceeding satisfactorily. The report was adopted, and a vote of thanks passed to the directors and management.

The nineteenth annual meeting of the Sydney and Suburban Mutual Permanent Building and Land Investment Association was held this afternoon. From the report it appeared that there was a debit against the year of £4271, which included £2931 loss on realisation of properties, £719 amount of interest paid, less rents, &c., credited against same, and £629 working expenses. The sales effected had been entirely of unimproved properties. The company looked to some improvement in the values of its Pitt-street and other city properties from the extension of the tramway and railways. The remaining assets at book values are given as £76,843, and the liabilities £57,595, leaving a surplus of £19,248. Messrs. Robert Mackey and R. P. Brickwood were re-elected directors, and Messrs. James Robertson and Henry Pratt were elected auditors for the ensuing year. A vote of thanks to the directors and manager terminated the meeting.

The annual meeting of the Sydney Permanent Freehold Land and Building Company, Limited, was held this afternoon. Mr. J. W. Watkin (chairman of the board of directors) presided. The report stated that the landed properties had been written down by the sum of £34,371. The balance-sheet shows the reduced values at £140,128. A further writing down is anticipated. On the other side there is owing to depositors £84,912, and to mortgagees £9084. The chairman, in moving the adoption of the report, said the board regretted that the business of the past year had been so unsatisfactory, the liabilities being reduced by only £4800. The report was unanimously adopted. It having been suggested by a shareholder that the board should convene an informal meeting of the depositors in order to place before them clearly the affairs of the company, and to consider its position, the chairman said that the board would probably adopt that course. Mr. Benjamin Lee was re-elected a director unopposed Messrs. H. Cooke and R. C. Robertson were re-elected auditors.

At a half-yearly meeting of the New South Wales Fresh Food and Ice Company to-day Mr. Laidley Mort presided, and the report, of which we have already given particulars, was adopted unanimously. The chairman regretted that no dividend could be declared, but explained that it was to be accounted for by a combination of circumstances. Business was good, and all the plant was in excellent order. The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the directors and officers of the company.

At the twenty-first annual meeting of the New Zealand Accident Insurance Company the report submitted and adopted showed that after full provision for all ascertained losses, adding £3000 to reserve, £1000 to contingent liabilities account, and paying £500 as an interim dividend of 6d per share, there was a credit balance of £2324; out of which the directors proposed the payment of a further dividend of 6d per share, leaving £1824 to go forward, as against £1568 brought from the previous year. The net premiums had aggregated to £27,7—; interest, rents, and fees amounted to £3208, and the amount of compensation paid and provided for had been £19,520.

The "Journal of the Institute of Bankers" of New South Wales for the current month has several articles of practical interest for the banker, including one by Mr. J. T. Walker.

The amount of the capital of the United States Steel Trust, aggregating £80,000,000 in common stock, £80,000,000 in preference stock, and £60,000,000 in bonds, will, we think, give it the first rank among the huge trusts which have their control in the trans-Pacific continent. Already British rival interests have had their attention on the new corporation, measuring its power to prejudice their interests. Should it be found to work to the disadvantage of the industry of the mother country, we have little doubt that its capitalists will be equal to the occasion. As our New York correspondent has advised, these huge trusts are not liked by many in the United States, and legislation to regulate and control them has already been discussed. Of course that would probably be as regards the home trade. If they can force their goods outside the boundaries of the States, the spirit of the country will not be particularly aroused to interfere. But if it is found that the protective incidence of legislation is causing the trust to sell cheaply in foreign markets to the sacrifice of the interests of the home consumers, then we may be sure repressive legislation will be enacted. That is the safeguard of the British manufacturer, who in a fair field will beat his foreign competitor; and in the world at large finds an increasing market for his goods, notwithstanding the duties, bounties, and subsidies of his foreign rivals.

The value of the imports into the port of Sydney for the week ended February 23 amounted to £381,501, as compared with £443,472 in the corresponding week of 1900. The value of the exports in the week aggregated £244,847, against £297,788 in 1900. From the beginning of the year the trade compares with that of the previous year as follows:—

IMPORTS.	1901.	Increase or Decrease.
Wool ...	£232,865 ...	£43,000 Dec. £109,765
Sk. low ...	13,863 ...	5,385 Dec. 10,478
Skins and Hides ...	70,326 ...	88,22— Dec. 12,704
Produce ...	115,673 ...	82,830 Dec. 30,843
Wheat ...	2,784 ...	49 Dec. 2,736
Flour ...	5,176 ...	4,492 Dec. 9,684
Total merch.	£3,132,756 ...	£2,779,078 Dec. £350,178
Gold ...	309,993 ...	254,372 Dec. 54,624
Total ...	£3,391,787 ...	£3,037,450 Dec. £474,332
EXPORTS.		
Wool ...	£1,276,604 ...	£1,050,157 Dec. £221,447
Skins and Hides ...	46,171 ...	91,727 Inc. 45,156
Tallow ...	108,009 ...	76,024 Dec. 31,985
Leather ...	34,715 ...	38,558 Inc. 4,217
Wheat ...	31,852 ...	83,214 Inc. 51,362
Meat ...	88,882 ...	144,029 Inc. 55,173
Flour ...	26,431 ...	29,021 Inc. 2,590
Produce ...	98,417 ...	36,939 Dec. 61,492
Tin ...	28,470 ...	3,595 Dec. 24,874
Copper ...	31,617 ...	26,355 Inc. 5,238
Total merch.	£2,876,958 ...	£2,760,840 Dec. £116,078
Gold ...	167,837 ...	260,390 Inc. 92,554
Total ...	£3,044,795 ...	£3,021,271 Dec. £20,524

The imports of merchandise show a decrease of £350,128, or 12 per cent. The exports of produce decreased by £116,078, or 4 per cent., the difference being largely accounted for by the interruption of business through the holiday celebrations. The exports of gold from Sydney since the beginning of the year to February 16 compare with those of the corresponding period of 1900 as follows:—

For ...	1900.	1901.
London	£67,982	£121,710
Continent of Europe ...	2,010	...
San Francisco ...	1,156	...
Australian ports ...	80,008	64,741
South Seas	5,000	...
China	10,995	27,840
India	...	50,000
Total ...	£166,251	£263,291

An increase of £97,140 is apparent in the exports of gold.

BREADSTUFFS.

The wheat market was steady up to 2s 7d, and a fair business was done in prime grain. Flour was dull at £5 to £5 5s.

The exports of wheat from the port of Sydney during the week ended February 25 totalled 25,579 bags, of which 24,630 bags were shipped to London, 727 to Queensland, 102 to Western Australia, and 22 to the South Sea Islands. The exports of flour during the same period were:—Queensland, 3351 sacks; Macassar, 45 sacks; Singapore, 179; South Sea Islands, 681; New Zealand, 50; Durban, 5082. Up to date:—

	Wheat. Bags.	Flour. Sacks.
London	66,849	6,225
Hull	58,619	11,904
Liverpool	1,500	...
Queensland	2,910	8,126
Noumea	4,203	...
Hamburg	5,000	...
Antwerp	7,894	559
Thursday Island ...	7	315
Islands	28	4,155
South Africa	6,617	39,550
Manila	...	500
Japan	4,906	663
Hongkong	2	845
Shanghai	...	100
Singapore	...	559
Western Australia ...	108	20
Durban	...	5,082
Other places	...	110
	147,138	74,860

The "Argus" gives the shipments of Victorian and Riverina produce via Melbourne to date as follows:—

	Wheat. Bushels.	Flour. Bags.
Victorian produce	371,769	58,394
New South Wales produce ...	51,237	1,660
Total ...	423,006	59,954

* Flour in half-sacks, quarter-sacks, and packages has been converted into its equivalent in sacks for comparative purposes.

Of New South Wales produce shipped from Sydney and Melbourne the exports represent 1,216,751 bushels of wheat, while those of Victorian produce represent 1,871,468 bushels.

THE IMPORT MARKET.

A good distributing business was done to-day, but there were no bulk lines between merchants. Tea had the usual inquiries, but buyers' ideas generally did not come up to those of sellers. There was not very much animation at the tea sales. In the brewing trade the most interesting topic was the new season's hops. Those from Tasmania and New Zealand are expected on the market shortly. Reports to hand are favourable from both places, though the Tasmanian crops may be light. It is too early yet to quote prices. The metal market was quiet. Following the reported advance in the New York price of American wire, cables advice was received of an advance of 30s per ton in German wire. Jute goods were firm. Mail advices state that the mill combination in Calcutta seemed to hold firm, and there is every likelihood of a steady market throughout the year. Kerosene was about the same.

Tea.—There was steady inquiry, but buyers' and sellers' ideas were not in unison. Thirty chests of Ceylon broken pekoes sold at 8½d. Messrs. Harvey and Co. offered on account of Messrs. Dalgety and Co., Limited, 968 Indians. The trade showed but little disposition to operate, in consequence the greater portion was withdrawn. Fair pekoes sold 6¾d to 7½d. Messrs. H. W. Carey and Co. offered a catalogue of 500 p-chests Ceylon and 1400 packages China teas at the Ex-Change Salerooms, under instructions from Messrs. Gibbs, Bright, and Co. and other importers, and report having cleared all but a few small lots of the Ceylons to spirited bidding. The China teas were almost entirely neglected, and were passed in. Quotations were: Ceylon pekoes and orange pekoes, 8½d to 7¾d per lb; broken pekoes, 6¾d to 7¾d per lb; broken orange pekoes, 5½d to 5 9-16d per lb. Medium kinds in some instances were slightly easier; good to finest realised full prices.

Groceries.—A good distributing business was done. A little speculation was made in starch, probably in view of the new tariff; 250 D.R.J.'s sold at 5¼. A ton of codfish was placed on private terms. 1500 cases Bell's chipd vesuvs were sold at agents' rates, 250 cases Holbrook's sauce and 100 cases of same brand of vinegar changed hands at agents' prices. Active and increased inquiries for latter were noted.

Liquors.—The usual trade business was done, and there was a little speculation, principally in wines. Messrs. Silva and Cosens, Oporto, in their report of the port wine trade for the year just closed, state:—"The vintage of 1900 will, we fear, have to rank among the failures of the past century. By reason of the heavy rains prevailing in the Douro district during the last weeks of August and for the greater part of the month of September the grapes were gathering were in a condition which, in our opinion, precluded the possibility of making any but medium quality wine."

Brewers' Goods.—Reports from New Zealand and Tasmania as to the new season's hop harvest are favourable. It is too early to make quotations, and buyers are holding back in anticipation, so that at present prices are nearly nominal. One or two lines of Tasmanian and New Zealand recently sold at 5d, but buying is of a hand to mouth character. Choice Californians are in demand in small parcels at 11d to 1s. If a concession was made a large business could be done. English malt remains steady up to 7s; New Zealand, 5s to 5s 3d. There is a good demand for hops at 4s 3d to 5s 3d per lb., according to description.

Jute Goods.—The market was steady in cornsacks, and a few parcels were put through at late rates. A considerable business has been done in branbags for forward shipment, and the market appears to be firm. The mill combination in Calcutta seems to be firm, and there is like likelihood of a steady market during the year.

Oils.—The kerosene market was unchanged. 2500 cases were sold at 8d c.i.f. and e. Other oils were without alteration.

The customs revenue received at Sydney to-day amounted to £3906. The principal items were:—

Spirits, £1916; ale, porter, and beer, £22; tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £966; tea, £—; sugar and molasses, £—; coffee, chicory, and spices, £—; dried fruits, £—; bacon and hams, £—; confectionery, £57; jams, £64; harbour and light rates, £57; pilotage, £64; harbour rates, £201; excise on tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £1050; excise on beer, £318. Total, £3906.

EXPORT MARKET.

Wool Receipts.—At Darling Harbour to-day 294 bales of wool were manifested to arrive by rail, and 129 came forward by rail at Newcastle on Wednesday last.

LONDON WOOL MARKET.

LONDON, January 25.

There has been a rather lessened attendance at the Wool Exchange during the week since last mail, and competition is not so general. The French sections have become much quieter, hence more or less irregularity has characterised the sales. Wasty, faulty, and feeder-grown wools have weakened, leading to somewhat larger withdrawals, although importers have met the weakness fairly well, and rightly so, for nothing would hasten a general decline and widen it more surely than the knowledge that sellers refuse to accept the inevitable and take the current price.

In the present state of affairs it would hardly surprise a careful observer to see values barely maintained during the remainder of the current sales. We ventured last mail to predict that there is 5 per cent. gone, and we already scarcely survive a couple of weeks. Unfortunately that forecast is becoming too painfully true. Foreign competition generally is weakening, whilst more is doing for America, but those consist largely of the better grades of crossbreds. Prices, however, of the best merinos generally are giving way, a all-round competition, the home trade being fairly active. Coarse crossbreds, although in short supply, are slow of sale, and tend to weaken. The best sorts of lambs are scarce, and all medium and lower descriptions plentiful. The value of the 1 lb. 1 inch combed reached 2s per lb. in the week's sale. The top price for scoured combing merino is 19d per lb., one lot of fine clothing realising 20¼ per lb.; 11½d per lb. is the best obtained for greasy Victorian merino; light Queensland, 8½d; greasy Victorian lambs, 15d; New South Wales and Queensland range from 10½d to 16½d per lb. for greasy, but these must be of light shrinkage to command the latter figure. There have been some very well-grown and sound greasy parcels on offer, which do the grower great credit. There are a few A's in the sales, but they neglect in skirting. Of the grading in some good parcels of crossbred greasy Victorian and Tasmanian, in the latter 50's quality and 50's quality were found in same bale, a most prejudicial combination, as the buyer cannot possibly know what to base his valuation, hence he sits on the safe side and bids low, meaning a certain loss to the owner. A little more care on this point would amply repay any extra cost. Light bulky, greasy merino pieces, broken, and necks are well competed for, and realised fully as good prices as finer and better made flocks. Lustres, where fairly clean, are usually finer, and do not fail to make their price for clothing purposes.

The periodical sales of Australasian sheepskins were held yesterday 5000 bales were brought forward. The attendance was a large one, and competition fairly active and general. Prices for all good combing merino sorts were unchanged, as compared with previous auction rates, whilst short, faulty, and wasty descriptions sold very irregularly; crossbreds showed a decline of 4d to 1s per lb.

The cotton manufacturing areas are only quiet at the best; the knowledge of the weaker tone in London has made matters worse than before the auctions began.

Annexed are a few details of some leading brands catalogued and sold since last mail, and prices obtained:—

New South Wales Wools.—Goonoo over Goonoo over Pitt More in diamond, greasy super combing at 14½d, 11d, greasy fine combing at 10½d, 10d, greasy second combing at 8d, greasy broken at 8½d, 8d, 7½d, greasy skirts at 7d, greasy bellies at 6d; Co. over A's, greasy first combing at 14½d, 14d, 13½d, greasy second combing at 10½d, 10d, greasy broken at 7½d, 7½d, greasy skirts at 7d, greasy pieces at 8d, greasy first lambs at 8d; greasy second lambs at 6½d; Carwarp over Co., greasy first combing at 14½d, 14d, 13½d, greasy second combing at 10½d, 10d, greasy broken at 8½d, 8d, 7½d, greasy skirts at 7d, greasy bellies at 6d, greasy pieces at 8d, greasy first lambs at 8d, greasy second lambs at 6½d; Co. over A's,

Funerals.

BULMER.—The Friends of Mr. EDWARD B. BULMER are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved WIFE, Esther T. Bulmer; to move from his residence, 36 Crown-street, Woollahmooloo, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 1.15 p.m., for Rookwood Cemetery. CHAS. KINSELLA, Funeral Director, 126 Oxford-street, and Branches.

Tel., 992, &c.

BULMER.—The Friends of THOMAS and ANNIE BULMER are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved SISTER, Esther Teresa Bulmer; to move from her late residence, 39 Crown-street, Woolloomooloo, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 1.15 p.m., for Rookwood Cemetery. CHAS. KINSELLA.

KUHN.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. JOSEPH KUHN and FAMILY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved DAUGHTER and SISTER, Emma Josephine; to move from the Sydney Hospital, THIS FRIDAY, at 1.30 p.m., for the Necropolis. Mrs. F. KIRBY and SON, Undertakers, 7 Elizabeth-street, city, and Tel., 875. 113 Miller-street, North Sydney.

KUHN.—The Friends of Mrs. CATHERINE MILLER, of North Botany, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her beloved NIECE, Emma Josephine Kuhn; to move from the Sydney Hospital at half-past 1 o'clock, at the Domain entrance, on FRIDAY AFTERNOON, for the Necropolis.

KUHN.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. D. JOHNSON (of Balmain) and Mr. and Mrs. J. SHIRLEY (of Alexandria) are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved NIECE, Emma Josephine Kuhn; to move from the Sydney Hospital, Domain entrance, at half-past 1 o'clock on FRIDAY AFTERNOON, for the Necropolis.

KUHN.—The Friends of EDWARD, JOHN, WILLIAM, Miss SARAH MURRAY (of Hansard-street, Waterloo), are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved NIECE, Emma Josephine Kuhn; to move from the Sydney Hospital, Domain entrance, at half-past 1 o'clock p.m. FRIDAY.

THE Friends of Mr. and Mrs. W. COOK, of 62 Walker-street, Redfern, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved NIECE, Miss Emma Kuhn; to move from Sydney Hospital, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at quarter to 2 for Rookwood Cemetery.

WEBBER.—The Friends of the late Mr. JOHN WEBBER are kindly invited to attend his Funeral; to move from 205 Abercrombie-street, Redfern, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30 o'clock, for R.C. Cemetery, Rookwood. P. BYRNES and COMPANY.

WEBBER.—The Friends of JOHN, GEORGE, EDWARD, GERTRUDE, JOSEPH, LOUISA, and WILLIAM WEBBER are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly beloved FATHER, John Webber; to move from 205 Abercrombie-street, Redfern, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for R.C. Cem., Rookwood.

WEBBER.—The Friends of Mrs. CHRISTINA WEBBER are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late dearly beloved SON, John Webber; to move from 205 Abercrombie-street, Redfern, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30 o'clock, for R.C. Cemetery, Rookwood. P. BYRNES and COMPANY, Undertakers, 185 George-street West.

WEBBER.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. PETER WEBBER are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly beloved BROTHER, John; to move from 205 Abercrombie-street, Redfern, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30 o'clock, for R.C. Cemetery, Rookwood. P. BYRNES and COMPANY, Undertakers.

WEBBER.—The Friends of Mr. GEORGE WEBBER are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly beloved BROTHER, John; to move from 205 Abercrombie-street, Redfern, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30 o'clock, for R.C. Cemetery, Rookwood. P. BYRNES and COMPANY, Undertakers, 185 George-street West.

WEBBER.—The Friends of Mr. WILLIAM PERSHING are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late dearly beloved BROTHER-IN-LAW, John Webber; to move from 205 Abercrombie-street, Redfern, at 1.30 o'clock, for R.C. Cemetery, Rookwood. P. BYRNES and COMPANY, Undertakers, 185 George-street West.

WEBBER.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE WEBBER are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly beloved COUSIN, John Webber; to move from 205 Abercrombie-street, Redfern, at 1.30 o'clock, for R.C. Cemetery, Rookwood. P. BYRNES and CO., Undertakers, 185 George-street West.

THE Members of St. Benedict's Branch, A.H.C. Guild, are requested to attend the Funeral of their late Brother, Patrick Hogarty, who will leave his residence, 205 Abercrombie-street, Redfern, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for the R.C. Cemetery, Rookwood. By order, A. SHEPHERD, Secretary.

CARLISLE.—The Friends of Mr. ALEXANDER CARLISLE are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his beloved WIFE; to move from his residence, 103 Cooper-street, Surry Hills, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30 o'clock, for C. of E. Cemetery, Necropolis. WALTER STEWART and SON, Undertakers, Tel., 1021. 729 Bathurst-street.

CARLISLE.—The Friends of Mr. ARTHUR CARLISLE are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his beloved MOTHER; to move from 100 Cooper-street, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for C. of E. Cemetery, Necropolis. W. STEWART and SON, Undertakers.

HOGARTY.—The Friends of Mr. T. EAGER and Mrs. ANN HOGARTY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved FATHER, Patrick Hogarty, which will move from his late residence, 4 Vincent-street, Balmain, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, for Field of Mars Cemetery, Ryde. WOOD and COMPANY, Funeral Directors.

HOGARTY.—The Friends of Messrs. JAMES, GEORGE, WILLIAM, and PATRICK HOGARTY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved FATHER, which will leave his late residence, 4 Vincent-street, Balmain, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, for Field of Mars Cemetery, Ryde.

TOMLIN.—The Friends of Mr. ALFRED GEORGE TOMLIN are invited to attend his Funeral; which will move from his late residence Glenavon, 104 Catherine-street, Leichhardt, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, for the Cemetery. WOOD and COMPANY, Funeral Directors, &c.

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MEMBERS of CAMBRIAN LODGE of AUSTRALIA, 606, E.C.—Scottish R. A. Chapters and the Craft in general are invited to attend the Funeral of our late BROTHER, Alfred G. Tomlin; to leave 104 Catherine-street, Leichhardt, at 2 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery. GEO. ROBINSON, P.M. 606, H. 135.

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